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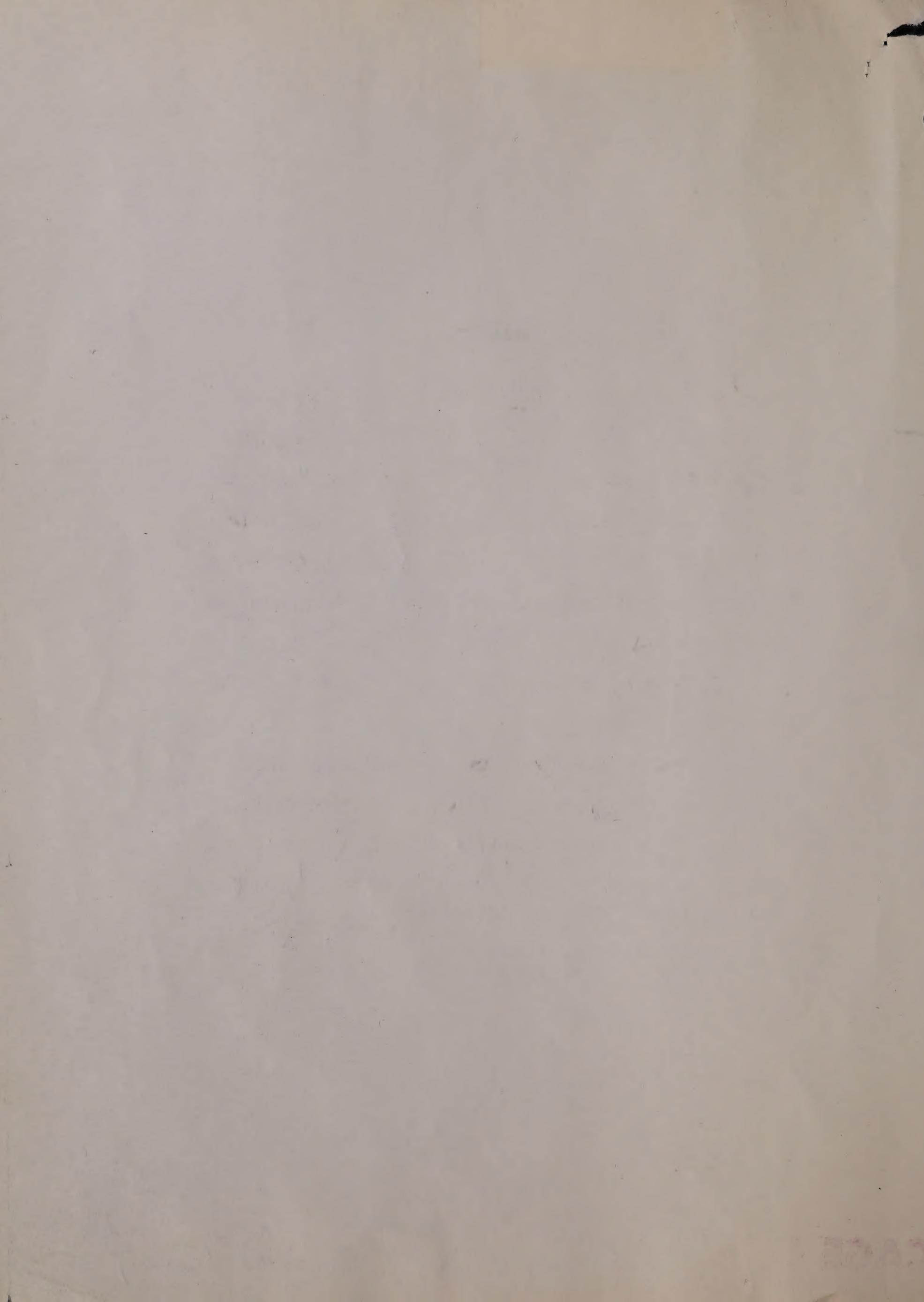
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1 Diary

2 Of Dr. Ebenezer Roby of Sudbury, with genealogical notes covering 1586 - 1685

3 1725 - 1727

A Memorandum of the Descent of Father Robys' Family from y^e year 1586 as it was taken out of Uncle Thomas Roby's Bible - at Castle Dunington Viz--

Mary Coxon Daughter of John Coxon of Castle Dunington was born y^e 20.th of April 1586 - w^o was the Owner of the Bible.

Thomas Roby Marryed Mary Coxon September 29.th 1606 . had Issue Viz.

Robert Roby born y^e 11 July 1607. had Issue Tho^s & Frances.

Mary Roby Born y^e 4th May 1610 Marryed to Mr. Burroughs

Thom^t Roby born 27 Sep^t 1611. had Issue Tho^s w^o & Mary-

John Roby born 12 May 1613. Issue Henry & 3 Daughters.

One Marryed Mr. Sherwin y^e other Walker.

Henry Roby born 12 Feb^y 1618. w^o Went & lived in N. Eng.^d

Edward Roby born 16 Sep^t 1620. had a Liberal Education & died

Sam^l Roby born 12 Feb^y 1628. went to New England

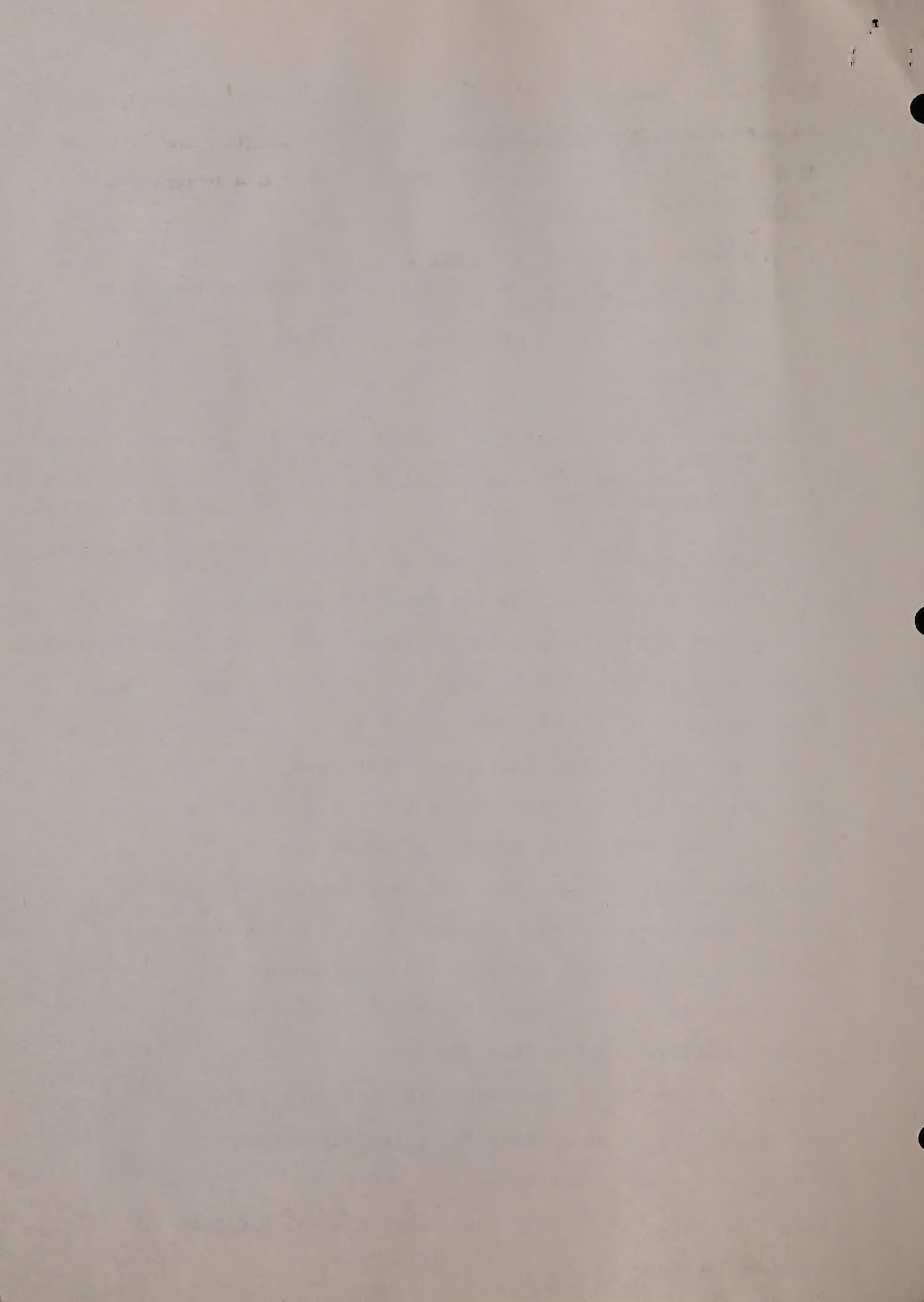
Besides the S^d Mary Coxon, had by y^e S^d Tho^s Roby 8 other Children, dying very young--

Tho^s Roby our Grandfather was born Sep^t 27.th 1611.

and Marryed the 26 of August. To Hellin Cherebough

had Issue Viz--

Mary Roby born the 3^d July 1641.-Marryed to W^m Riddiard of Bakesod Derbyse-



Thomas Roby born 22^d. Septemb^r. 1645- was Marayed y^e 8 Octob^r. 1676 -

To Ann Abbott Daughter of Luke Abbott of Hemington had Issue viz.

Thom^s Roby Born Octob^r. 31, 1677-Issue 2 Sons & 4 Daughters.

Will^m Roby Born July 26. 1680 - Issue

A Daughter it Died Jan^y. 18. 1681 -

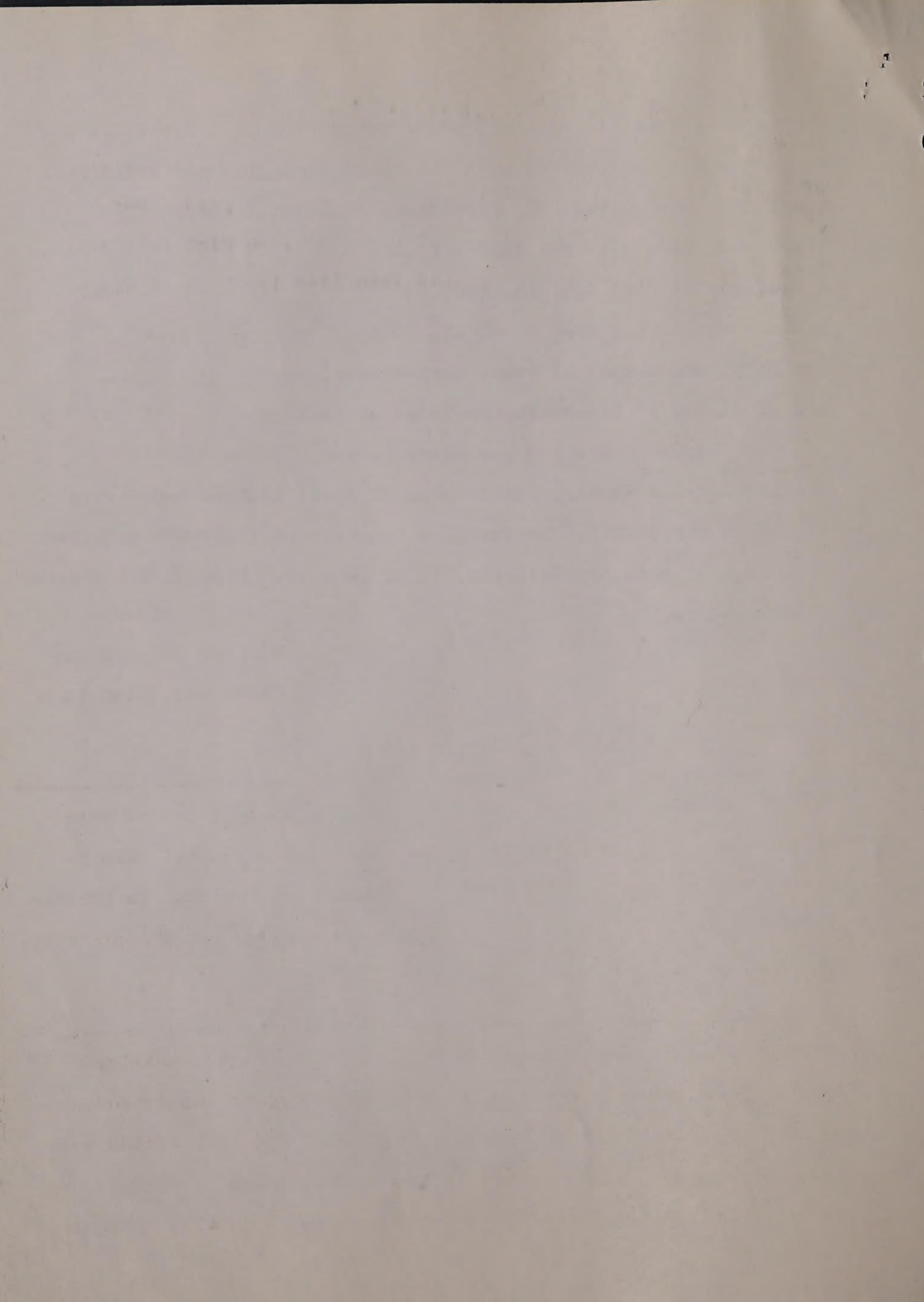
Another Son born & Died March 11. 1683 -

Ann Roby born Decem^b: 1^t 1685. Marayed to y^e Rev^d

Mr. W^m Walton y^e Dissenting Minister of Donington

Issue 3 Sons & 5 Daughters Living.

William Roby my honour^d Father born 26 April 1648,-- Went into
N·England Marayed Eliz^a Greenough - Daughter of William & Elizabeth
Greenough - Issue 15. Children. 7. of whom are Living - viz 4 Sons
& 3 Daughters.



Die Mercurii. Octob: 5th About 11 of y^e Clock A. M. I set out from London to Castle Donington which is a large Village in the County of Leistershire. The names of the large Towns I passed thro' with y^e Distance from London are as followes. viz. To High gate 5 Miles - Barnet 5. to S^t Albans 10. in this Town lies the Body of Umphrey Duke of Gloucester buried about 500 years Since, very fresh & Sound.

S^t Albans

D: 6. Die Jovis. Set out from Dunstable at 8 of the Clock this morning travelled thro Dunstable which is 10 miles from S^t Albans - To - Buburne w^c is 7. M. To New Port Paqual 6 M. to Norton 6. M. where I lodged--at Mr. Thomas Bloodworth's at the Sign of the George on Horse Back- which is very finely Cuttout, in Iron & Gilt & Set upon a Mast about 60 foot high hard by here is the Earl of Hallifax's Seat, w^{ch} is very Noble & Sumptuous- with a very fine Chappel belonging to it. This is within 4 Miles of Northhampton, which is a Shire Town -

7. Die Veneris. About 9. A.M. Set out from Norton, passed thro Northampton which is 4. Miles, Market Harborough 12. M. This is one of the greatest Market Towns in England for Horses. To Leister 12. More. which is a fine Shire Town. here I lodged at Mr Hall's at the Sign of the Delphin.

8 Die Saturni. About 8 of y^e Cleek A.M. Set out from Leister - To Loughborough which is 8 Miles, from Loughborough to Castle dunington which is 6 More --- here I am come to my Journeys End. having had, fair, & pleasant weather all the Way --- Here I was Entertained by My hon^d Uncle & his Children like a Prince -- They being Extreamly

glad to see me - Never was any Child more kindly used by his Parents
y^o I was by them. The Lord reward' em -----

Octob 10, die Lunae. Took a Walk this Morning w.th the Rev^d Mr.
William Walton into the Earl of Huntington's Park where is a fine
herd of Deer to the number of 50, or 60 Bucks & Does, runing wild -
This is ^a very large Park containing 2 or 300 acres inclosed
with a noble stone wall about 3 Yards high --- My Lord's Building's
are old & not not very famous -- his name is Theophilus Hastings.

ii die Martis. Took a Walk Around Castle Donington In Company with
the Rev^d Mr. Walton & Cox. Thomas Roby ----- went into Donington
Church, which is ancient & large Church - In this Church hangs up
the Coat of Arms belonging to the Family of y^e Roby's which is 3
roe Bucks - in the Body of y^e Church lies Buryed my Grandfather &
Grandmother Roby. There is a very neat Steeple 150 foot high (at
the Western End of the Church built of free Stone - with 5 large
Bells in it -- here are 2 very Ancient Tombs in this Church with y^e
Statues of the interred persons cut out of Marble of Above 400 Years
Standing.

die Veneris 15: Took a Ride with Cox: Th's: Roby to Derby which is
a very large Shire & Market Town --- Dined with Mr. Durreough Esq^r
Counsell^r of Law, we dined on Some fine Pike & Salmon Trout which
he Caught out of a Pond in his Land of his own Raking. This Gentle-
man is worth 1000 £ P annum --. After Dinner we went to See All
hallows Church which is newley Rebuilt of pure free Stone very large
it hath one of the highest Steeple Tower steeples of any in England. -

The Steeple is very old, & stood After they demolished y^e old Church whilst they were Erecting y^e New One. In this Church is the Statue of the Present Duke of Devonshire's Grand Father & Grand Mother standing up in y^e full Stature, Cut out of white Marble, in a very high & large Stone Monument 4 Square, and at Each Square stands y^e Effigies of y^e Posterity cut in Marble - All which lye Buried in a large vault under the Monument. Att the West End of the Church stand a font of pure fine White Marble upon a Marble Pillar about 4 foot high. In the Chancil stands 3 fine Marble Stones upon which they intend to Cut y^e Lord's Prayer, Creed, & Tenn Comendments. One of the Stones is Italian, the other Egyptian & the 3^d Derbyshire Marble all extream fine. with many other Curiosities. - In the Tower are Tenn large Bells- which afford a great deal of Musick when rung - Derby is 3 Miles from Dunington. ---- Return'd to Donington att night

17 Die Sabbati: This is called Wake Sunday at Dunington. there was a Sermon preached at Church to promote Piety, Temperance, Sobriety, &c. By the Rev^d Mr. Gell y^e Parson.

18 Die Lunae. This a Great froliquing, & visiting Time, for 3 or 4 Days, y^r Friends & Relations come from other Towns to Visit 'em -- There are great Provisions made to Entertain 'em with all, as feasting &c. This is called y^e Week of Dedication - or y^e Time of Dedicating y^e Church which is a very Ancient Custom. There is great Feastings, Dancing at Balls, Bull Bating, Ringing of Bells, Hunting and Coursing for Hares &c. the Rev^d Mr. Salton Coz. Tho: Roby, My self, with many of y^e Neighbors Spending this Day in Coursing.



Die Sabbath: 23. P. M. Went to Millburne (which is 3 Miles from Dunington) with y^e Rev^d Mr. Walton to hear him Preach-. In y^e way had a sight of the Right hon.^{le} & Thom. Cook's Garden which is very fine, & large Containing 14 or 15 Acres of Ground--Mr. Cook is Vice Chamberlain to his Maj^{ty} King George- Returned to Dunington at Night. Cloudy, Misty Weather.

26. Die Mercurii. Took a Ride with y^e Rev^d Mr. Walton as far as Keg worth, which is a Small Market Town 3 Miles from Dunington. Return'd at Night.

Thursday Octob: 27. Took a Journey from Dunington to Allicot Hall in Warwickas. in Company with y^e Rev^d Mr. Walton & Mr. Rodes of London. Set out about 9 of y^e Clock A.M. Dined at Ashby-de-la-Rode, got to Allicot Hall at 6 PM---Lodged at Cox: Thom^s: Roby's. In the Way is my Lord M^t Ferrers's Seat- which is very noble indeed, I had y^e happiness to take a Walk thro my Lord's Garden which is one of y^e richest & pleasantest Gardens in England - in one End of it is a fin^{er} house in the y^e other by Study co^r y^r is a fine Library - here are many Curious Statues Some of Stone others of Lead - with several very fine Square fishing Ponds with Multitudes of fish in 'Em artificially made &c.--We dined at Ashby-de-la Zouch at Mr. Richard's. got to Allicot hall at 6 of y^e Clock - Lodged at Cox: Thom^s: Roby's.---It is very dirty Riding.--Cloudy Dark Weather. We went All of y^e way where 4 Countyes viz - Leisters Warwicks. Derbys. & Stratfordeas, meet in a Point.

So y^t you may lye down all at once



Die Veneris. 28 A. M. went a hunting for Hares in Cos: Roby's Closes -- P.M. Took a Ride from Allicot hall thro a Town called Dencott. To Visit a Kinman and well Return'd at Night: the Roads are Extream Dirty.

29. Set out from All cut hall about half an hour after Nine - Dined at Mr. James Richards in Ashby - De - la - Touch - which is a Market Leistershire Town in ~~Leistershire~~. Return'd to Donington About 7 in the Evening-- 14 Miles bad Riding.- Cloudy Weather.

Die Sabbati: 30:th Took a Walk this Morning to Hemington which is a small Village about a Mile from Dunington) to dress Mrs. Abbot's foot which is grown much better- This is y^e 7. Time. Cloudy, warm Weather.

31. Stormy, Snowy, Weather, with very high. Winds.

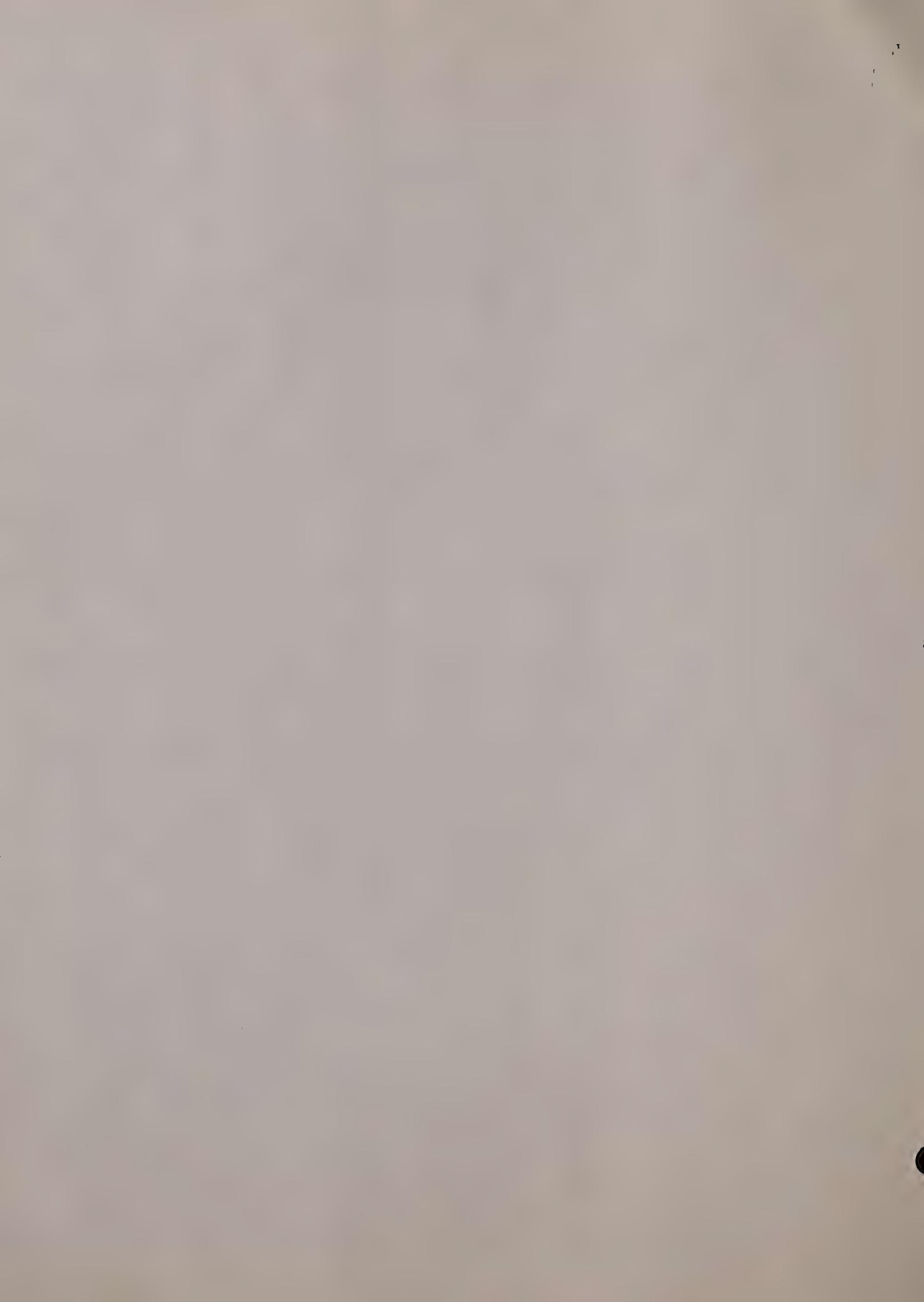
Novemb^r 1^t Fair & pleasant Weather, a hard frost in the Night.

2. Fair Weather, Clear & Frosty. Went to Hemington with Rev^d Mr. Walton to dress Mrs. Abbotts foot. It being y^e 9. Time.

3. Die Mercurii. Fair Weather, Cold ---

Went to Kegworth with y^e Rev^d Mr. Walton Dined with y^e Doctor. at Mr. Bott's, return'd, at Night.

4. Die Veneris. A.M. About gh. this Morning the Rev^d Mr. Walton & I Set out from C. Donington - To Notingham which is 8 Miles y^e are Small Villages. Every Mile with a Church in Each of 'em, between. & Got to Notingham About 1 of y^e Clock -- Roads Extream Dirty -- Rain P



Nottingham is ^a very large Market & Shire Town with very stately Buildings in it. It hath one of the largest & Neatest Market Places of any in England, with a handsome Cross standing in the middle-- And a large & hand Some Town Hall newly erectly in One End of it with a Statue cut out of Stone upon the top of ^{it} with a pair of Scales & in one hand a Sword in the other representing Justice &c. at y^e back Side are several large Butcheries- for meat,---- A little out of the Town Stands The Duke of New Castle's House--Called Nottingham Castle. which is justly admired by all (that see it, for several Reasons, as, It's Magnitude Situation, &c. It is a very large Square Building Situated ^{upon} a very high hill--with a fine & pleasant Walk all round it - On One Side You have a prospect of y^e Town of Nottingham ~~ye-ha-e-on~~ on y^e other pleasant Meadows with a river running thru' it, on another y^e Lord Middleton's Seat w^c is about 2 Miles off, w^c is very sumptuous & Noble - on another part high Hills &c-- Over y^e great Door of y^e House Stands a white Horse with a Saddle & Bridle, a y^e Duke of New Castle Sitting upon it. Cut-eas^t About y^e bigness of an ordinary horse Cut out of one Intire Stone - with all the Vein & arteries w^t the utmost Artifice Imaginable! It is impossible y^t any thing Should be more Natural! This Stone was taken out of my Uncle Thomas Roby's Land at Donington. There is a Vault y^t runs und^r the Hill built of Stone ---- There are 2 large Stables, both built under Ground upon y^e Side of the Hill as you go up to y^e Castle. The Castle is impregnable, the Hill it stands on is so high that y^e Tops of all y^e houses are not so-high Equal to y^e Top of it--So much for y^e Out side.

Novem:5. Die Saturni. We Supped last Night with the Rev^d Mr.

Harding (a Lady) w^o is y^e Discanting Minist^r of y^e Town----
the S. of Novemb^r is a Day of Thanksgiving &c. The Discanters generally thro out y^e Kingdom -- preach a Sermon Suitable to the occasion
we went to hear y^e Rev^d Mr. Harding w^o Entertain'd us with a Sermon
from those words in Prov: y^e 12 A 10 v. -- The Tender Exercises of y^e
wicked are Cruell.----He is esteemed a very learned able Man - He is
Tutor to the Young Lord Willoughby - Brook's. w^o is a Sober & Ingen-
ious Youth. ----

There are Many thing done in Memory of the Day here in England, as
Ringing of Bells, Bon fires, Firing of guns. &c. There are many re-
markable Cellars in this Town. cut out of a brownRock. particularly
Cox. Abbott's - w^o has a very large one 30 or 40^{long} & almost as
wide with Stone Pillars to support it----return'd home at Night
very fast & Dirty Riding -- much Rain fell in the Night.----

N.B. In going from Donington to Notingham you pass over Trent River
at Meete Derwent & runs into y^e Humber-- The River is about 30 Rods
over. the Current strong - here is a large Ferry Boat to Carry Horses
Over---The Man^r of getting y^e Boat Over is this - There is a Strong
Post fastened into y^e Groudn on Each Side y^e River & a Rope y^t goes
across w^o is fastn'd to Each Post.-- And at y^e Head of the Boat there
is fastned a junk of Wood Standing perpendicular so as to be a little
above the rope-And to this Rope Stands a man y^t Pulls y^e Boat from one
side to the other. The fare 2^d for 1 man & Horse.---

N.B. At Notingham y^r lives Mr. Thom^r Pool Mercer - w^o is Counted
the Best Ingenious Botanist of any In England-- He has y^e finest
Collection of Plants Exotick & Domestick (with all Sorts of Mosses,
& Grapes Starched upon y^e Leaves of his Books, with y^e Names at y^e



Roots of 'em in Latin) of any Man in Europe. -----

At Notingham lives Many of Father Roby's Relations w^o are persons of Great Note & Fortunes - as y^e Sherwines, Swan, Shelbrook.

Nov: 6. Die Sabbati. Cloudy, Misty Weather Went to Meeting A.M.
To Church P.M. Donington.

7. Die Lunae- Cloudy, Misty, Warm Weather -

Sent to Hemington to Dress Mrs. Abbotts foot. 10. Time

8 Die Martis - Cloudy - Dull Weather.-----

A.M.

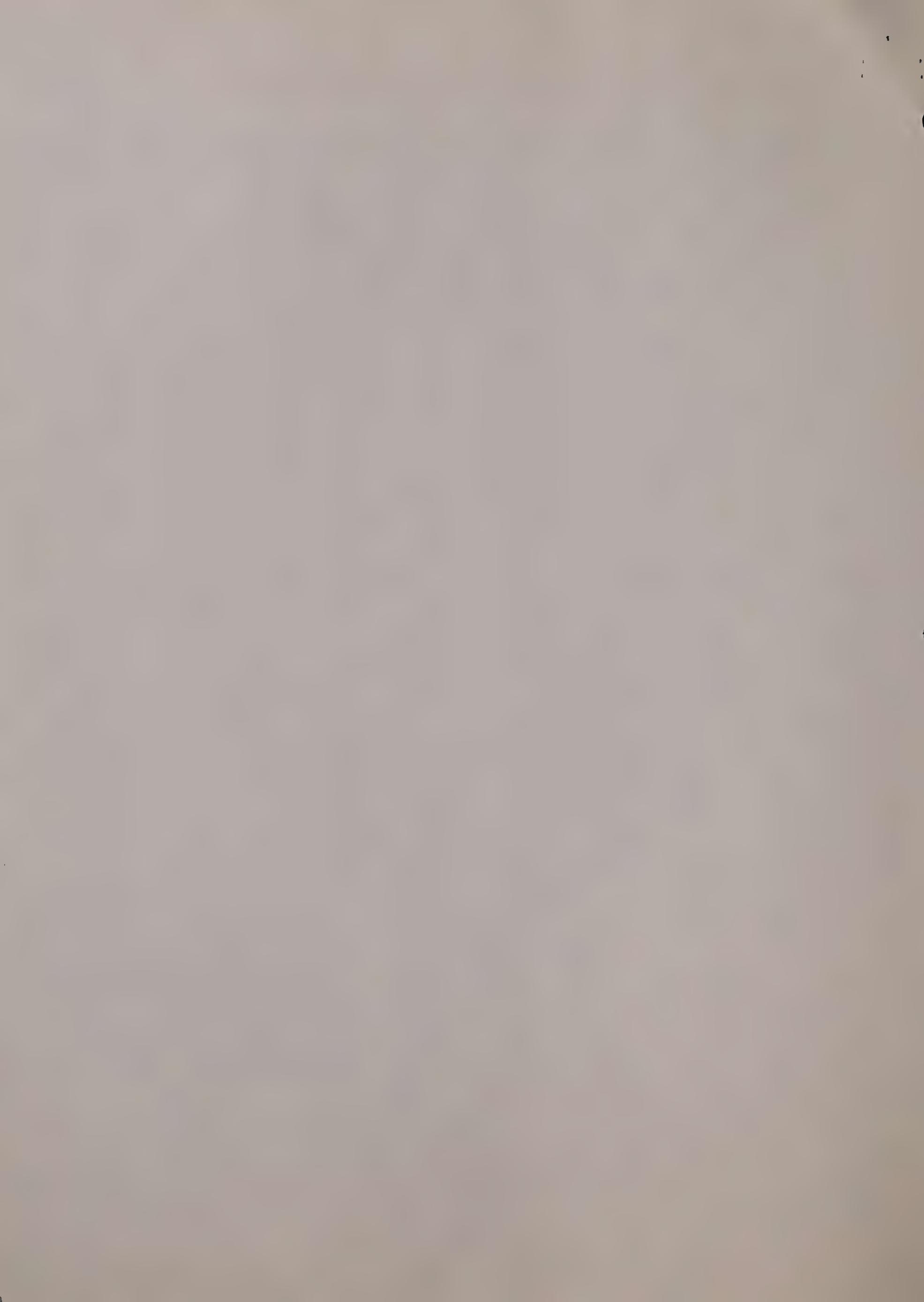
Abt. Oh. this morning y^e Rev^d Mr. Walton & I set out for Finedurn in
Derbyshire. to Visit the Rev^d Mr. Lathen w^o is a Dissenting Minis.^{tr}
A practitioner of Physik he is a Gentleman of great Learning & Worth,
very pleasant & affable -- He treated us with abundance of Civility
& Respect. He is a Pupil monger and keeps a private Academy, at his
House. He has 16 young Gentlemen y^t are Students under his Care.---

In y^e way between Donington & Swarson is a famous Stone Bridge a Mile
Long called Swarson Bridge Built over Trent River. & So across y^e
Meadows it is very ancient, &c. It is about 10 foot above the Meadows
having a Noble stone Wall on Each Side of ~~and~~ about a Rod & half wide
having many Arches thro it.-- This 7 M. from Donington Return'd at
Night.

9. Die Merco. A Rainey Morning, & Warm.

P. M. fair & pleasant. Rain in y^e Evening.

10. Die Jovis. Showery p^r totum Diem



Went to Flamington to dress &c. 11. Time bled her.

11. Die Veneris. Windy - Showery dark Weather.

12. Die Saturni. Cloudy, Rainy weather.

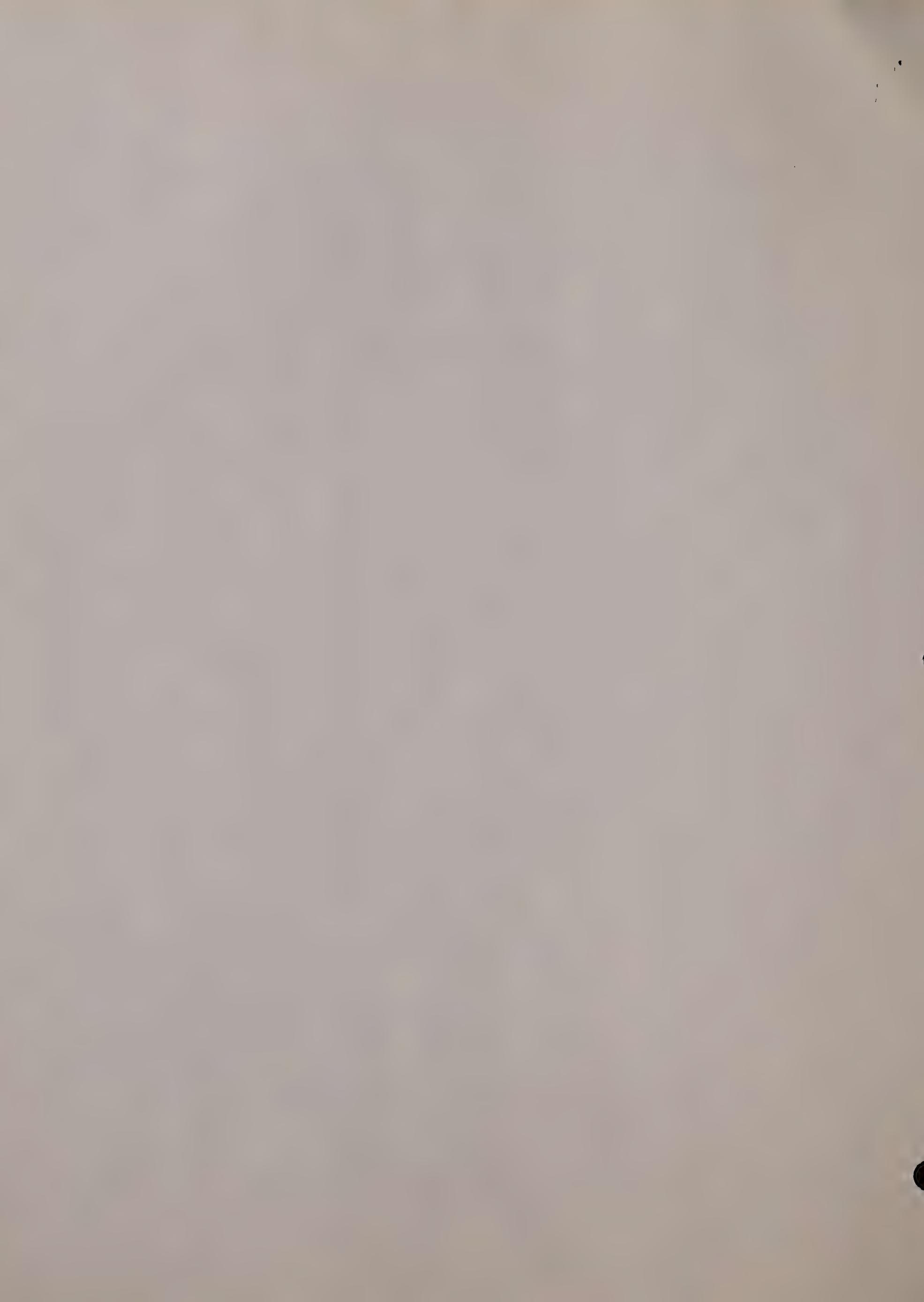
N.B. I went to Visit a Woman that was delivered of a Child Yesterday morning having a Suppression of the Lochia -- She had 4 or 5 Pitts of the Fever & Ague about a fortnight ago & got some Cold which struck her into a pretty high Fever - w^t had Seized her Brain, so y^t she laid in a Stupified & Senseless Condition from Saturday Night till y^t Tuesday on Wednesday following of which she was deliv^d of a Living Child - In her travail she never complain'd nor made y^t least groaning nor shewed the least Unsoundness - but only spread out her legs in the Bed when y^t Child was born, the pple y^t were in the Room not abstrudging-y^t she Expecting it, having 5 or 6 weeks yet to go &c - About 2 hours after she was delivered, she had a Total Suppression of y^t purgations which has held her about 30 hours & now begins to appear Again - The she remains Stupified & Senseless -- N.B. After her delivery her Fever Vanished - So y^t she had a very Equal & Regular Pulse and Considerably Strong.-----

13. Die Sabbati. Cloudy, raw Cold -----

N.B. Went to Church heard Mr. Coll &c. P.M. Mr. Salton. - N.B. The Woman above s^d is Somew^{se} better - the much Stupified.-----

14. Die Lunae. Fair, pleasant Weather.

N.B. The afores^d Woman is very sensible hath a Considerable Fever ((ie lactial) her Pulse very weak & thick - The Lochiae small & Discoloured &c. -



15. Die Martis. Fair pleasant Weather.

Took a Walk with Cox^t Roby to See y^e Earl of Huntington's Mills - called y^e Kings Mills w^re. I Saw 'em Making Paper, Cloths &c - The manner of Making y^e Paper is this viz. -- They take Old Rags & cut 'em very small - Then put them into Troughs with Water where there are hammers which beat 'em very fine y^t are Kept in Motion by y^e Mills - After y^y are sufficiently pounded they are put into a very large Cistern - w^re y^r Stands 2 persons one on each Side -- The one to scoop it up in a sort of ~~cross~~ Square Sive - Then presses it out & gives it to the other person who lays it by and puts a Square piece of Cloth upon Every Sheet of paper y^t made, So Dries it &c

16. Die Mercurii. Fair warm weather --

The afore s^d woman is still Living but Extream weak --

17. Die Jovis.- Rainy warm Weather A.M.

18. Die Veneris. Foggy warm-Wind Eastly --

At nine of y^e Clock A.M. Set out for Derby got y^re about 11 ----- Went into y^e Market place which was thronged with pple - having all sorts of Things to sell - Bought 2 pair of fine Stockins for 6/- --- Went from thence to See y^e Bells in Allhallows Tower, which are to the Number of 10 being very large, y^e Largest Weighing 30 c weight, &c. This is as famous a Tower as any in England (Excepting y^t at Boston in Lincines.-) it being about 300 feet high having a fine Square walk on y^e Top of it, covered with Lead - here are Many very fine pleasant Gardens in sight all round the Church - fill'd with variety of Green Dach as Yews, Hollys, Pines &c. --- From This Tower, as likewise y^e Church is built of pure free Stone, y^e Tower having



Stone Stairs even winding &c. --- From the Church we went down to see y^e Waterworks, which Supplies y^e whole Town with Water. They have a Mill built upon a River about 30 Rods from St. Michael Church which is perpetually kept on Going - having 2 Pumps the one to draw the Water the Other to throw it up into a large Leaden Pipe about 1 foot Diameter which runs under Ground from y^e Mill to St. Michael Chh. forcing y^e Water with such violence y^t when it comes to y^e Chh it forces it up to y^e Top of y^e Chh which is ab^t 30 foot high, in a large Cistern w^c holds ab^t 30 hogsheads --- in which as many Pipes w^c convey y^e Water into Every house in y^e Town, -- Nay into many folks Chambers &c. Sometimes the Water forces a hole thro y^e Main Pipe w^r ^{it} goes w^t such Violence y^t it has forced its way thro y^e Ground 7 or 8 foot so as to throw up y^e Stones & Gravel up in to y^e Air: And to prevent this about 8 or 10 yards from y^e Mill they have a Brass Cock inserted into y^e Pipe, w^r they draw off y^e Water by way of Revulsion whilst they mend it Upon this same River hard by is y^e famous Silk Mills w^r they twist Silk - Employing at one time no less yⁿ 320 odd persons to Spin it this is y^e only Silk Mill y^t y^r have in England - It is reported that y^r is not Above one more So famous in all Europe as this is. The Buildings belonging to it are very large & fine more like a Palace than a Mill-&c. Work 2^{cc} int
a min.
Returned home in the Night. N.B. That every_A Time y^e great Wheel of the Mill turns round they get 5 Shillings.

19. Die Saturni. Rainy Weather. A.M.

20. Die Sabbati. Fair pleasant Weather.



21. Die Lunas Cloudy Dark Misty Weather. A. M.

P.M. Rid with Cos. Thomas Roby to Normanton in Nottinghams. to
Visit his Cos. John Richards Esq^r lodged at his House.

22 - Walked about his Garden & orchard which are very pleasant -
he is a Gentleman of fine Estate being about 5000 Acre. Returned
home this Evening - Roads very dirty. Cos. T. R. is Uncle to this
Gentleman. -

23. Die Mercurii: Fair weather, no frost.

24. Die Jovis. Windy[&] Cloudy - raw Cold, no frost.

25. Die Veneris - Fair weath.^r

26. Die Saburni - Fair, warm pleasant weath.^r

Rid as far as Cork Hall with y^e Rev^d Mr. Dalton where he adm^d.
y^e Ordinance of Baptise to an Infant &c. Afterwards we went to
see the House of S^r John Harper Knight w^c is called Cork Hall:
It is as famous a House as any in all England -- being very large
& built with pure free Stone & Adorned with abundance of fine work
There is a Chappel about 30 Rods from y^e House belonging to s^r
John, His Stable is One of largest & finest in y^e c being built
of Brick 4 Square having a Square Walk in y^e middle ---- Gash
Windows 3 Stories high, having a fine Belfrey with a Bell & Clock
upon the Top of it. The Rooms w^r the Horses are kept are very
clean & Neat; There are also very fine Gardens, belonging to y^e
House. Returnd home at Night ----



4 Miles from Donington.

Novemb^r 27. Die Sabbati. fair weather -

A. M. Heard Mr. Gell preach. P.M. Mr. Walton.

28. Die Lunae. Fair, & warm, like April in N.E.

29. Die Martis. Fair, & open weather. April in N.E.

30. Die Mercurii. Fair, Open Weather like April in N. England.

All this Month.

Decemb^r. 1^t Die Jovis. Warm Rainy Wea.^r

Dined at Cozⁿ Walton's, it being her Birth Day. Uncle Roby dined with us.

2. Die Veneris. Fair - Some w.^t frosty.

3. Die Saturni. Clear & Cold A.M. Foggy P.M.

4. Die Sabbati - Cloudy - Cold & Frosty.

Went to Meeting A. M. - To Church P. M.

5. Die Lunae ---

6. Die Martis ----

7. Die Mercurii. This Morning a little before 6 rising - Coz: The Roby & I Sett out for Mount-Serrel which is a large Market Town 9 Miles from Castle Dunington in y^e County of Leicester. We Dined in



Company with y^e worshipfull Mr. Arch^t Palmer & Jos. Danvers - who are Justices of y^e Peace &c with several other Gentlemen -- Here & there 2 of the High Constables, viz Coz. Roby, & Mr. Perkins met with y^e Petty Constables to give in y^e Presentments & to pay y^r Taxes agains y^e quarter Sessions --- &c. Return'd back to Lough, --borough which is 3 Miles & lodged & lodged at Cos- Marshall's -- Very Cold & frosty we din'd att y^e w^d. Gaunt's.

8. Die Jovis - Return'd home to Denington, very Cold & frosty weather -

9.-Die Veneris - Cloudy - & very Cold.

10. Die Saturni. The weath^r is more Moderate - A pretty Deep Snow fell y^e last Night.

11. Die Sabbati. Very Cold; Squalls of Snow w.th high Winds.

12. Die Lunae. Fair & Cold. Frosty.

13. Die Martis. Fair - Cold & frosty.

14. Die Mercurii. Fair & Cold

15. Die Jovis. Cold- & Cloudy.

16. Die Veneria. Cloudy - It begins to Thô.

17. Die Saturni. Cloudy - Thawy - P. M. Frosty.



18. Die Sabbati. Cold & Frosty.

19. Die Lunae. A fine pleasant. Thawy Day.

20. Die Martis. Fair & Warm ---

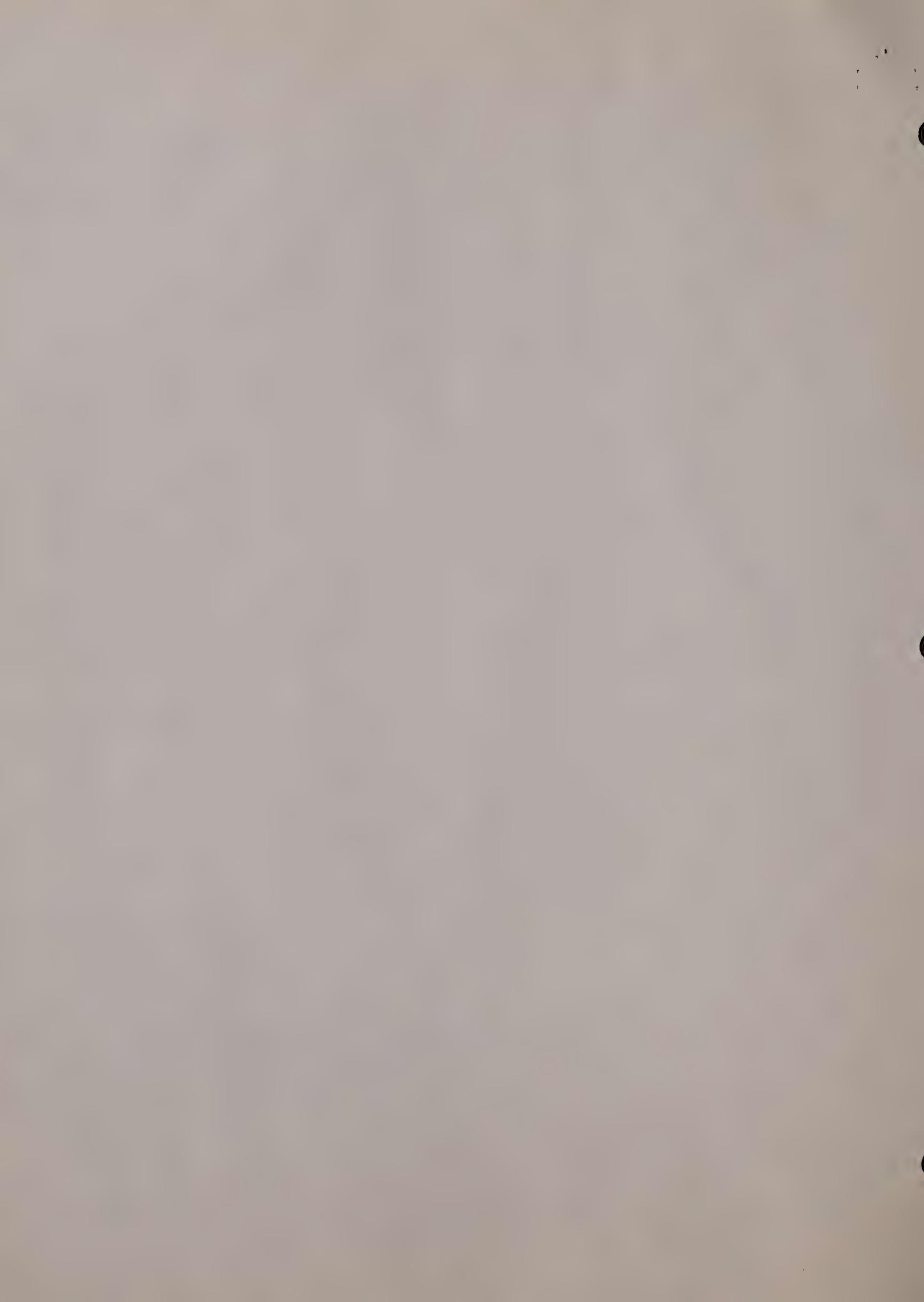
21. Die Mercurii. Cloudy ---- Warm ----.

22. Die Jovis.

23. Die Veneris. Went to Derby Early this Morning in Company with Gov. Roby. It Rain'd very hard y^e Greatest Part of the forenoon,- Dine'd at y^e Rev^d. Mr. Sam Shaw's Dissenting Minist^r. of y^e Town --- Return'd to Donington at Night. The Roads are Extream Dirty & Full of Water no frost at all in y^e Ground.- The Weather^r warm like Apri

24. Die Saturni.- Fair Weather -

Decemb^r.
November 25. Die Sabbati. Went to Church A. M. To Meeting P. M.
Both Parsons of Preach'd concerning our Blessed Saviors Nativity.
Mr. Dalton from Luke y^e 2^d. The 10 & 11 verses. For unto You is born
this Day in the City of David, a Savior, w^o is Christ y^e Lord.
V. 10. And the Angel s^d unto them Fear not for behold I bring You
good Tidings of Great Joy. w^o shall be to all People.--
N.B. The Pulpit of y^e Church with several - Gentlemen's Pews particu-
larly y^e Earl of Huntington's were Adorn'd with Green Boughs of Ivey,
Holley &c. Likewise many People hang boughs of Ivey & other Pine
Greens about y^e Houses at Christmas all Over Eng^{la}nd.



26. Die Lunes. Went to Normanton w^c is 4 miles from Donington to Visit Mr. John Richards Esq^r. A Fair warm Morning-

27. Die Martis. Fair Weather.

28. Die Mercurii. Fair, warm, weather high winds at P.M. Return'd to Donington this Evening. Open Weather.

29. Die Jovis.

30. Die Veneris.

31. Die Saturni.

January. 1. Die Sabbati. A.M. Went to Donington Meeting house. Th Rev^d Mr. Gen^l Shaw preached - P.M. Accompanied the Rev^d Mr. Shaw to Melbourne where he he Preached P. M. After Meeting we went to Derby w^{re} I lodged at y^e House of y^e Rev^d Mr. Ferdinando Shaw's his Father w^c is the Dissenting Minister of Derby - Passes over Swarston Bridge w^c is a Mile long built of pure Stone - as I observed before.

January - N.B. I lodged at y^e Rev^d Mr. Ferd. Shaws from y^e Sabbath Day till y^e Fryday following w^{re} I was Entertain'd like a Prince - he is as Compleat a Gentleman as any in England & Reckoned So by all t^t know him - he is a Favorite of y^e Duke of Devonshire w^c is Reckon' one of y^e Richest & Noblest Dukes in England -- his Lady is a Truly Generous, & Virtuous, whose Lives may it please God long to preserve. N.B. Mr. Shaw has this Day Cowslips blown out Fresh for Posies in hi

Garden --- N.B. In Derby in one of y^e Mill Creke is a Ducking Sto
for to Duck Scholds & Shores, tis placed after this Manner - namely
just at the Waterside y^r is a Piece of Timber ^{over} placed set perpendicular
in y^e Ground- with a Mortice made upon y^e Top of it wherein is faste
ed a long Piece of Timber about 20 or 30 feet long Crossing Partly
over y^e land & partly over y^e Water & at y^e End over y^e Water is fas
ened a Great Wooden Chair - wherein the Scholds, & Shores of y^e Town
are placed & so Ducked up & Down in y^e Water for a Considerable Time
w^t to affords Matter of great Diversion to y^e Spectators.

return'd to Castle Donington on Fry day January y^e 6th. The Rhodes
very Dirty & full of water - N.B. we have been Entertain'd Ex-
traordinary sumptuously all y^e 12 Holy Days of Xmas.

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Die Saburni. A Fair warm pleasant Day open weather all y^h Xmas.

8. Die Sabbati. A Storm of Rain. Wind at East.

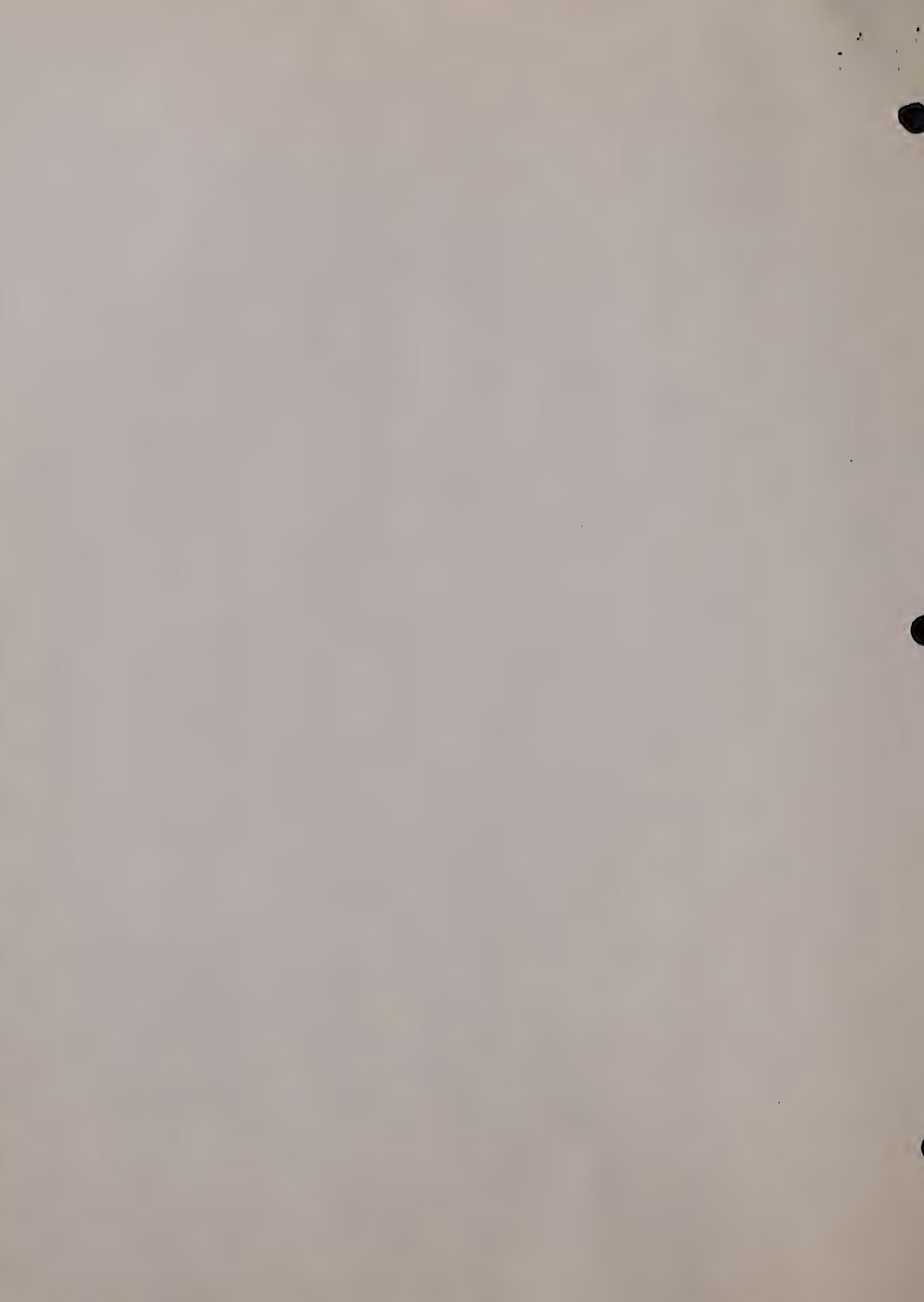
9. Die Lunae. Rainey Dirty Weather.

10. Die Mercurii Martis -- Fair Weather.

Set out this Morning in Company with Cos. Will^m Roby for Alcott Hall in
Warwickshire --- Dined at Mr. John Richard's in Ashby-De-la-Zouch --
Arrived att Alcott Hall about Sun Sett: Lodged at Cos. Roby's
there ----- The Roads very Dirty ---- N. B. T^r are several Cole
Pitts in the Way betwixt Donington & Alcott Hall.

14 Miles

11. Die Mercurii. Fair Weather, very Windy --



12. Die Jovis. Rid wth Cox Roby to Dorstil with in 3 Miles from Alcott to Visit his Daughter Cheatley -- Lodged there.

13. Die Veneris. Fine pleasant Weather. Returned to Alcott Hall.

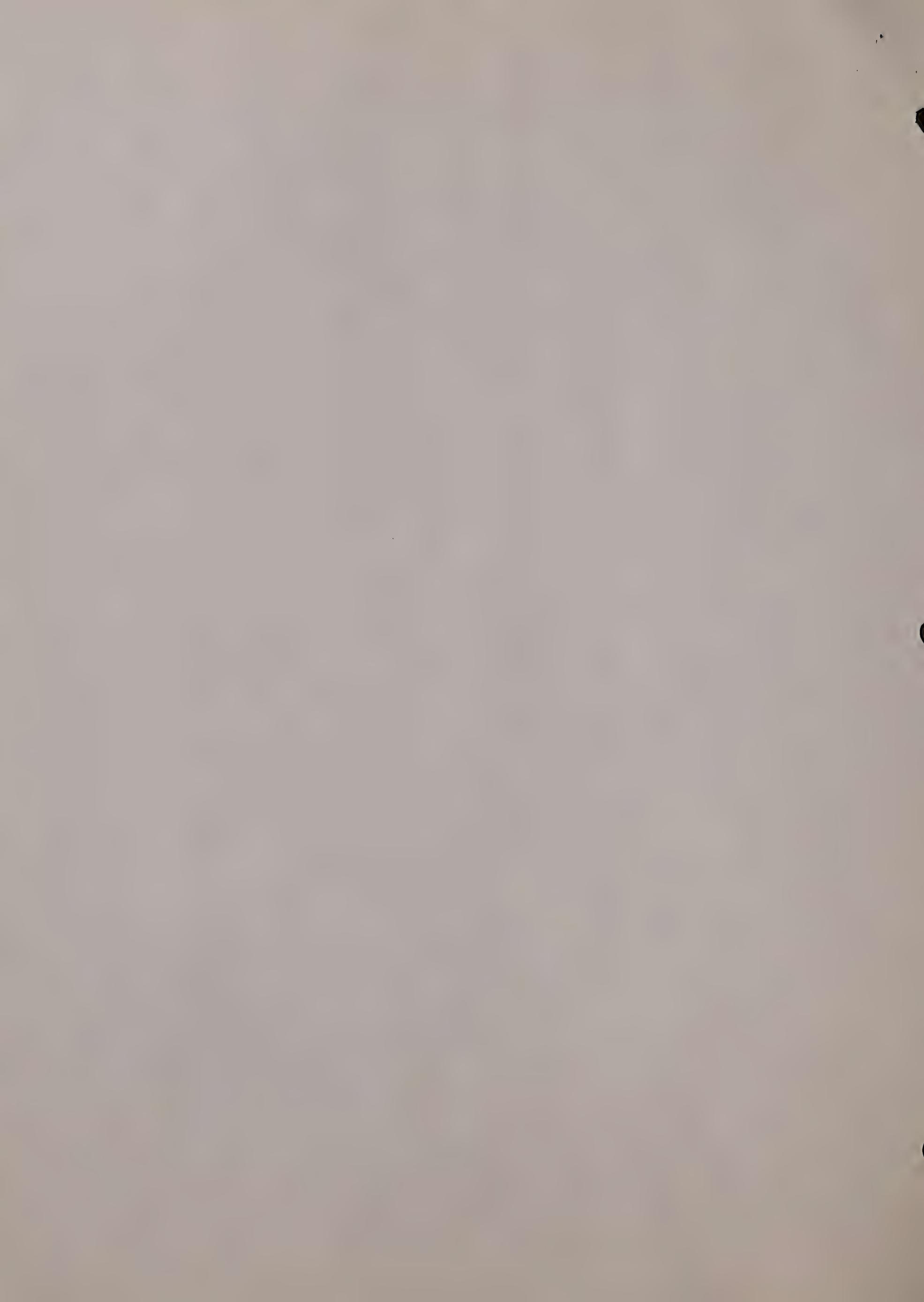
14. Die Saturni.- Journied with Cox. Tho: Roby to Tamworth in Warwick^C is 2 Mile from his House -- This is a Large Burrough & Market Town - N.B. They Send 2 Members to Parliament.-Here is a fine Gailt Hall Erected at y^e Charge of Mr. Tho. Grey Esq^r. ----- The Remarkables in y^e Town are y^e Great Church & y^e Castle which is very Ancient - In a Vault und^{er} y^e Church are Some Thousand of Dead Lions Bones -----

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N.B. The Bones before mentioned were dug out of y^e Church Yard - & so carried into this Vault. This is a very large & fine Church wⁱ a high Tower having 5 great Bells in it.

N.B. Tamworth Castle is a very Ancient & Stately Building - Erected upon a very high & Steep Hill - having a high stone Wall all Round & here are Many Stately Rooms in it. In one of y^e Rooms is a Helmet & Breast Plate of Iron which they Say belonged to a Giant who lived there Some Hundreds of Years Since - I believe y^r are near 60 or 70 Rooms in y^e Castle. upon the Top of it is a very fine Prospect inde- having a fine River & Meadows on one Side, & The Town on y^e other. They Say y^t this Castle was Built in y^e Time of y^e Barrons Wars in King Johns Time.----It is now owned by my Lord Compton.----Return'd to Alcott Hall at Night.

15. Die Sabbati. P. M. Rid to Tamworth Meeting House - The Rev.^d



Mr. Malkin Preached----Coz. Roby & I Visited him after Meeting ---
This is a very handsome new house Brick house built in y^e Year 1724.
Return'd to Alcott Hall at Night.

16. Die Lunae. Fair warm Open Weather

17. Die Martis. Fair, warm pleasant Weather, like April in N England
Sent a Coursing for Hares in Company with Coz. Tho. Roby, Moses his
Son, Coz. &^d The Rev^d Mr. Malkin with 5 or 6 others - Caught one Hare

18. Die Mercurii. Cloudy, thick Weather.

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19. Die Jovis. Cloudy, Rainy Weather.

20. Die Veneris. Journied to Litchfield which is a City in Staffordshire in Company with Coz. Moses & William Roby -----

The Most Pemarkeable thing in this City is the Ancient & large Cathedral Church there wh is built of Stone. This was Made a Cathedral Anno 657. There are 3 very high -- Spires, y^e one in y^e Body y^e oth 2 at y^e west End -- having 10 large Bells belonging to 'em. It Consists of 3 Parts viz. The Body, & two Quires -- There are Abundance of very Costly & fine Carvings in Wood in the Body of y^e Church.-- In one of y^e Quires y^r is a Moveable Pulpit which y^y Move from Place to Place upon y^e Occasion of Preaching Funeral Sermons, --- There are 3 Monuments, in this Church viz. That of Bishop Laneton who was Lord Treasurer of England Cast in Stone as they told Me, Above 500 Years since. Bishop Said^ts. and y^t of Bishop Hackett's in King Charles y^d Time -- This Bishop beg'd 1000 Pounds for the Repairing y^e Church



& Erecting his own Monument.---- There is a very fine Standing Hearse which they Set over y^e Graves of famous Persons for a 12 Month & a Day -- Moving it from Place to Place: with y^e Executions of the Person Deceased which is mighty fine a Day.---- This Church is full of y^e Ceremonies at Worship, Even almost as y^e Roman Catholicks y^mselves -- They have y^e Queristers Singing Men & Boys Dres'd in white Surplices all Singing y^e Prayers --- There Priests kneeling & Bowing before y^e Alter--Y^f Candles upon

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Upon the Altar &c. ----- There is Room kno in this Cathedral for 3 Persons to Preach at y^e Same Time & not in y^e Least to Interrupt one another. -- There is also 2 very fine Pair of organs w^c I had like to have forgotten -- This Church was a Collegiate at first & in y^e Year 667, was made a Cathedral - w^c is 1069 Years Since ---- It is famous as y^e Foryes Say for Standing up for y^e King Against y^e Parliament it being y^e King Charles Garrison.-- It is Certainly one of y^e Ancientest & most famous Churches now Extant in y^e World.

----- Lich field This is 6 miles from Alcott Hall. The Roads are very Good, the Land here About is but very poor & ordinary.

----- There is a fine Racing place for Horses about a Mile or 2 from Lich field. Return'd to Alcott Hall at Night. N.B. Over the Bishops Seat is his Coat of Arms, w^c is an Eagle in full propo: cut out in Wood.

21. Die Saturni. A Clear, Cool Morning.

Rid to Tamworth where we had a Sight 2s of King George's Speech to both Houses of Parliament - with y^e Answer to it -- The King Acq^t ^{an} of y^e Spaniards Design to Place y^e Pretender on this Throne. -- To w^c

they very Spartly & warmly promise y^t: they will stand by his Maj^ty
and uphold his Title with y^t Lives & fortunes &c. as also to put
this Kingdom in a Posture of Defence - w^c y^t promised Unanimously to
N.B. That this Speech was Made on Tuesday & by Thursday was conveyed
almost allover the Kingdom.--Return'd to Aleot at Night.

22. Die Sabbati. Rainy Dirty Weather.

23. Die Lunae -- Snowy - stormy Weather.

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24. Die Martis. Cloudy, Raw Cold.

25. Die Mercurii. Cloudy, Raw Cold.

Return'd from Alcott Hall to Castle Donington, w^c is 13. Miles,
Rodes Extream Dirty - Passed over Several Cole Pitts. The Ground very
poor & Black.

26. Die Jovis. Cloudy, variable Weather.

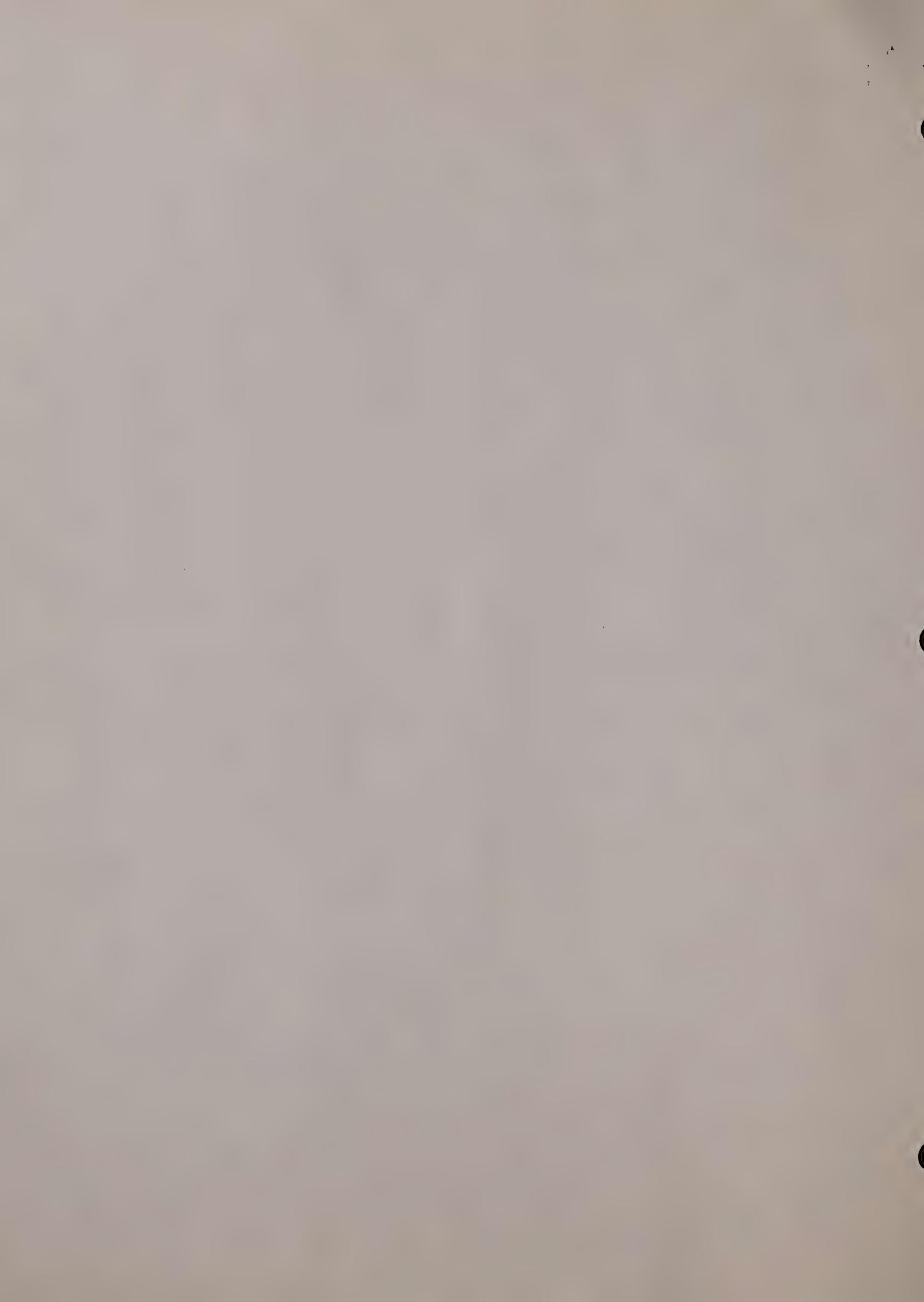
27. Die Veneris. Cloudy -

28. Die Saturni. Fair, pleasant weather.

29. Die Sabbati. Fair, very warm --

N. B. The Weather is as warm & the Fields & Meadows look as Green &
pleasant as in April in N England. There are Daisies flowrd.

30. Die Lunae. Fair Weather



31. Die Martis. A fair, warm, Day -

February.

1. Die Mercurii. About 7. h. this Morning I took my Leave of my Relations at Castle Donington. and Set out for London; y^e Rev^d Mr. M^r Galton Accompaning of me. About 10 Miles.

Din'd at Leister, Travelled as far as Market Harborough, w^c is fine Town.- Lodged y^r at y^e wid^o Burrough's ---

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2. Die Jovis. Journied from Harborough to N. Hampton---10 m. Dined there - from thence to Ruburne ^{17.m} w^r I Lodged - H.B. Northampton is a bare y^f ordinary pleasant Town -- The Buildings are mostly of Stone - very Stately & fine. The Rodes are Extream Dirty & full of Water - I some places up to the Horses Belly. I got Mired with my Horse in y^e Quick Sands.-Travelled 29 Miles.

3. Die Venoris. Travelled from Ruburne to wit Stone w^c is within 8 Miles of London 29 Miles to Day. Lodged here.

A Rainy Morning

4. Die Saturni. Rainy, Set out from Whetston, & Arrived at London About 11. h. A. M.

5. Die Sabbati. I went in Comp^y wth Coz. Tho. Roby up to y^e-Kha s^t James - w^r I had y^e Hon^{or} to See his Majesty King George, (at he) with several of Nobility, pass thro the Guard Chamber into his Chappel --- This is along Room furnished with all Sorts of War like Instruments - Here are y^e Yeomen of y^e Guard with y^r Liverys on, &c----- Afterward went into Another Guard Chamber w^r I Saw y^e Prince & Princess



of Sales with y^r attendance pass into y^e Chappel.

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Mon: In the Romish Chappells in London - are several Petitions hanging up in all parts of y^e Church - w.^{ch} run in this Form - viz. The Prayers of all Xtian pple are desired for y^e Soul of Such an One w.^o departed this Life, and went into Purgatory on Such a Day. &c.

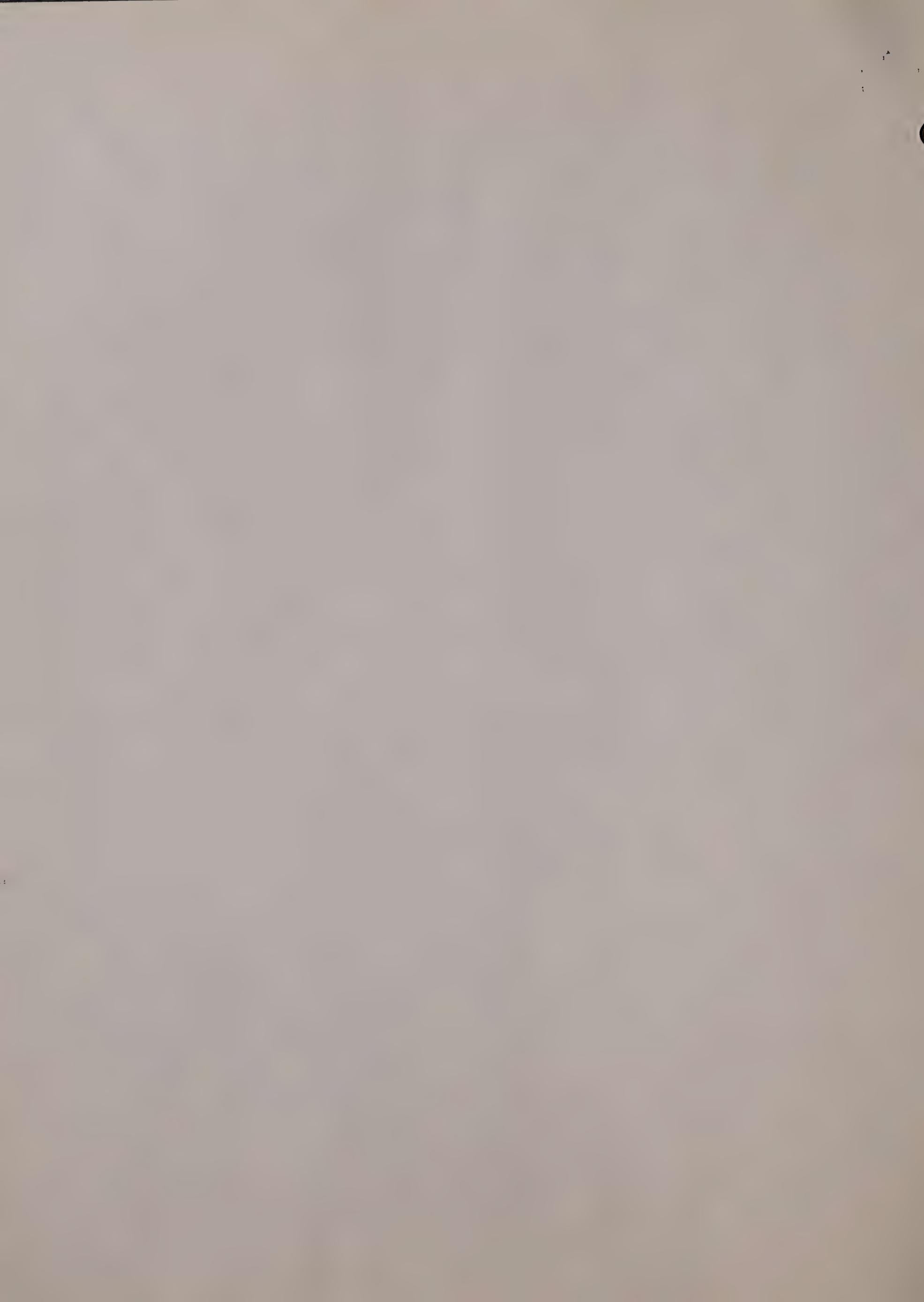
In Lincoln's Inn Chappel is Remarkable for having y^e 12 Apostles painted on y^e Windows very Curiously in y^r due proportion.

6.- Die Lunae. Rainy -- Dark Weather

7. Die Martis. Fair pleasant &c.

Took a walk to y^e West End of y^e City of London --- I^r Stands in Hanover Square King George on Horse back very finely Scue wrought in Brass in its due proportion & Gilt with Gold. from thence to high Park w.^r y^r is a large Basin of Water Ab.^t 100 Yards over, w.^c is conveyed by thro pipes &c from y^e Tames, to Supply Westminster. from thence to Westminster Abby, it being just Night took but little Notice of it. --- from thence to Westminster Hall w.^r I Saw y^e Lord Tho.^s y^e Justice^m Eyre in his black Robes, the trail being supported by a Man is also the Speaker of y^e House of Com^{ons} L.^{ke} many of y^e Members of that House -- The Speaker was Guarded, had y^e Mace Carryed before him a Gentleman to Support the Trail after him. --- He has a very Large fine Coach. --- from thence I went y^e Play house in Lincoln's Inn field, w.^r I Saw Oronoko -- a Trajedy Acted ---- return'd to my Lodgings at Nine of y^e Clock.

8. Die Mercuriiil. Went with Coz: The: Roby - to See y^e Rarities in y^e Tower - viz. The l.^t was the Lions - In Number 6. ---- Leopards & ---



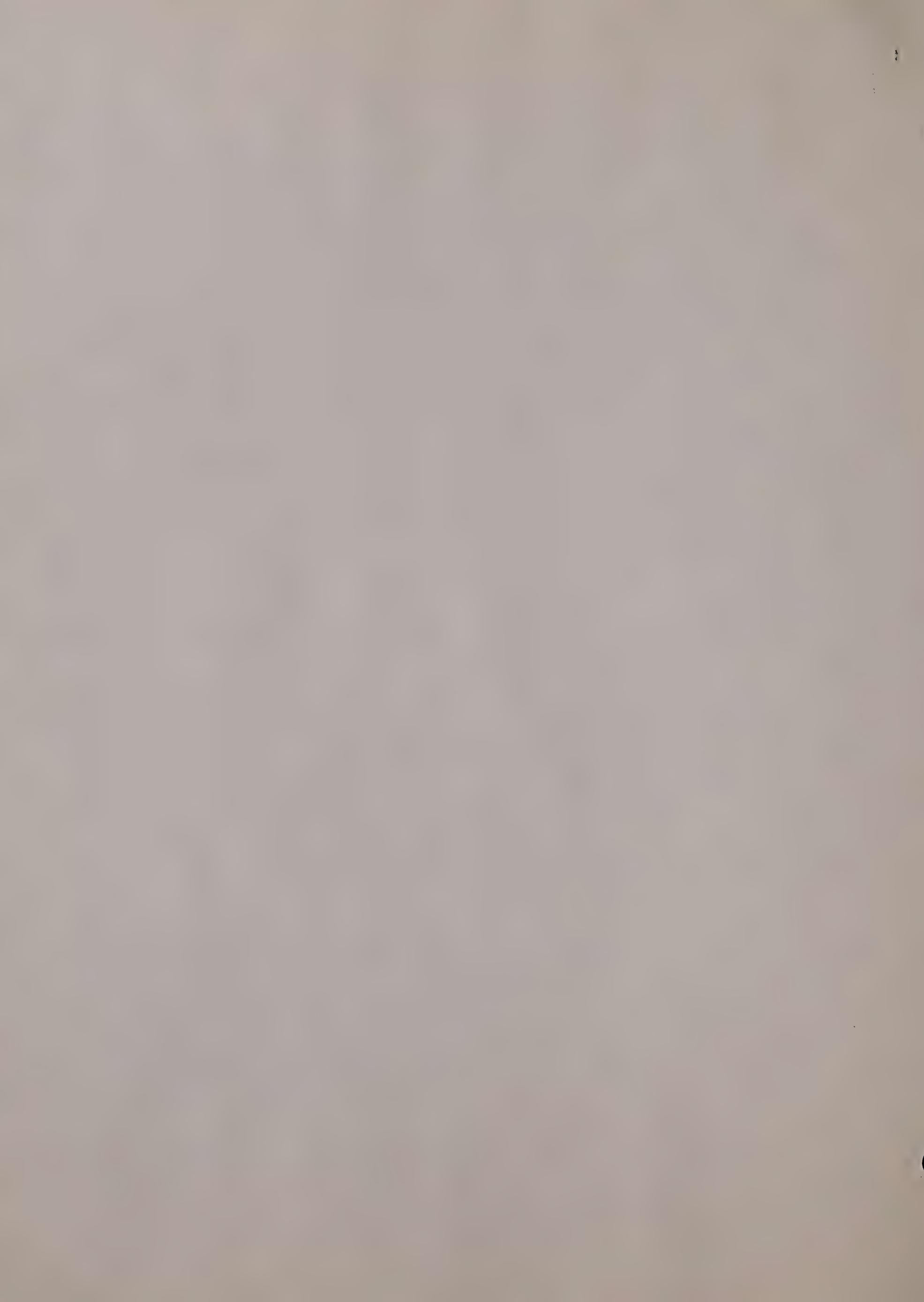
1 Tiger & 1 Panther ----- 2. Birds -- As the Vulture & 3 Eagles.
from thence to See y^e Armory -- In the Large Armory are several Brass
pieces of cannon -- of 24 Pounders -- One large Mortar y^t carries a
600 w^t Pounder 2 Miles -- Another y^t carries 9 smaller shot at once.
Kettle Drums &c.

In the Small armory Above Stairs are contained Muskets, Carbines,
Blunder busses Swords, Cutt lusses &c. In a very Spacious-- Room --
w^t to supply 8000 Men. All in fine Order -- ready for Use.
From thence to y^e Horse Armory -- w.^{re} y.^{re} are most of y^e Kings on Horse
back in y^r due proportions -- with y^r Armores upon 'em. With Armory
to supply some hundreds of Men from thence to See y^e Regalia -- There
of here is a List ----- Viz.

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A List of his Maj^{ties} Regalia, besides Plate & other Rich Things, at
the Jewel-House in the Tower of London.

1. The Imperial Crown, y^t all y^e Kings of England have been Crowned
w^t from y^e Time of Edward y^e Confessor.
- 2.- The Orb or Globe, held in y^e Kings left Hand at y^e Coronation; on
y^e Top of which is a Jewel near an Inch & an half in height
- 3.-- The Royal Scepter, w.th y^e Cross; w^e has another Jewel of great
Value under it.
- 4.---- The Scepter with the Dove, y^e Emblem of Peace.
- 5.---- S^t Edward's staff, all Beaten Gold.
Carryed before y^e King at his Coronation.
6. Gartane A Rich Salt cellar of State, the figure of the Tower, Used
on y^e Kings Table at y^e Coronation.
- 7.---- Curtana, or y^e Sword of Mercy, born between the two Swords of
Justice, y^e Spiritual & Temporal.
- 8.---- A Noble Silver Font, double Gilt, that y^e Royal family are



Christened in.

9.--- A Large Silver Fountain, presented to King Charles y^e 2^d by
y^e Town of Plymouth.

10.--- The Rich Crown of State, his Maj^t wears on his Throne in Par-
liament, in w^c is a large Emerald Seven Inches round a Pearl, the
finest in y^e world, & a Ruby of Inestimable Value.

11.--- His Royal Highness y^e Prince of Wales Crown.----

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12.--- Queen Mary's Crown, Globe & Scepters, with y^e Diamonds she wore
in proceeding to her Coronation.

13.--- An Iron Scepter, with a Dove, Made for y^e late King James his
Queen.

14. The Golden Spurs, & the Armillias, worn at y^e Coronation.

15. -- The Armilla, or Eagle of Gold, w^c holds y^e holy Oyl the King's
& Queens of England are Anointed with, & the Golden Spoon that y^e
Bishop Pours y^e Oyl into: w^c are great Peices of Antiquity.

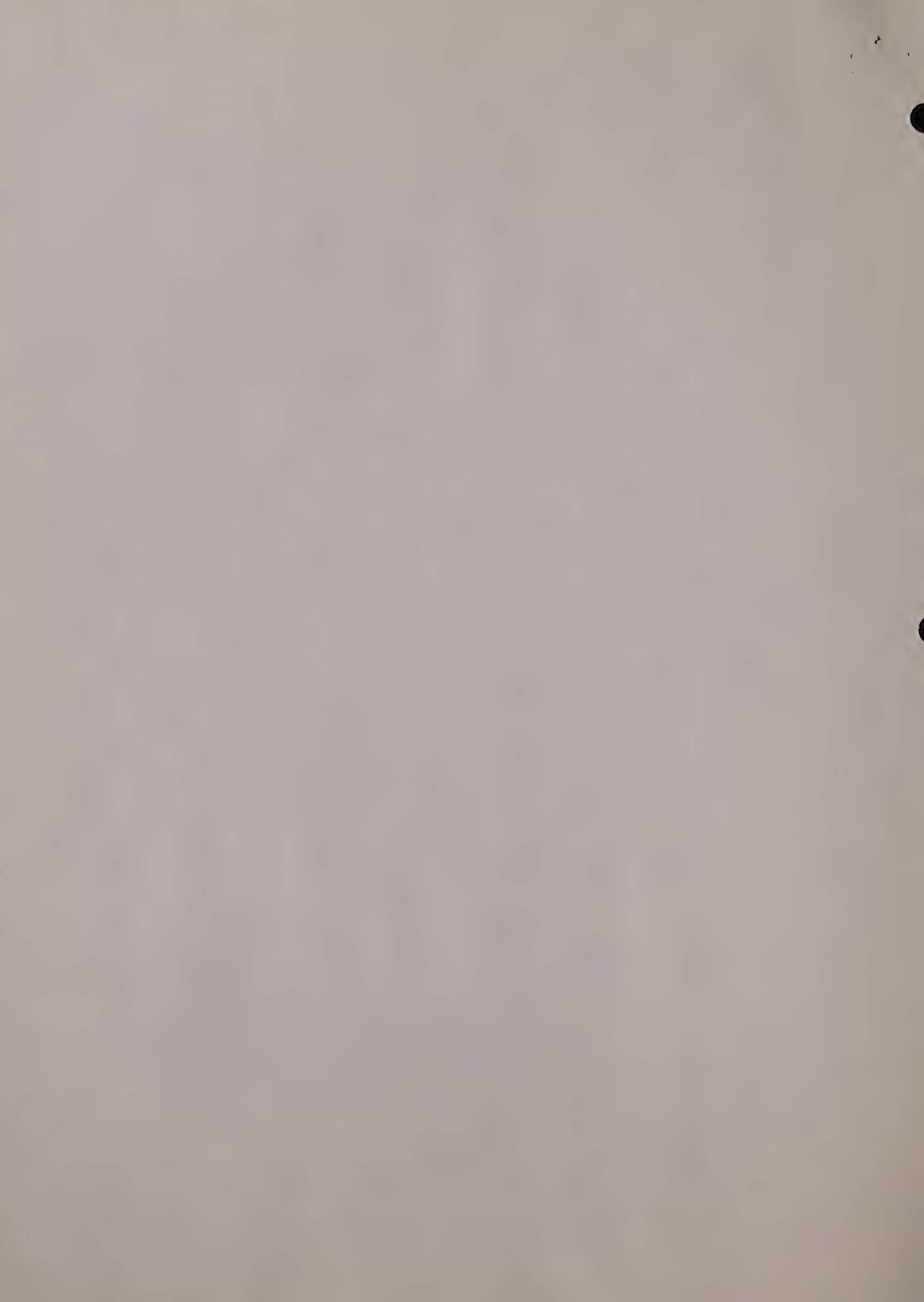
From y^e Tower we went to Bedlam w^c is a very large Hospital in Moor
Fields --- where there was 150 Crased & Distracted Persons ----

From thence to Dinner -- P.M. Walked thro y^e Temple w^r y^r are Many
very fine & large Buildings --- with Square Walks & Gardiens for y^e
Lawyers in this Inn. from thence to y^e Savoy. w^c is a Place for the
soldiers y^t have Committed any Crime to be kept y^r till y^y can be
Transported from thence to Westminster Hall w^r I Saw y^e Judges Sittin
(it being Term Time.) They Sit in Exceeding Great State, w.th y^r Black
Robes on, trimmed with white Silk fringe & --- All y^e Lawyers with y^r
Black Gowns, & white Bands on. -----



From thence to Westminster Abbey w^c is a very large & Ancient Building & containing - (I verily believe) the most Curiosities of any Place in y^e C^t. Here are Many Apartments, & Stately Monuments, some of the ancientest in y^e Kingdom - Here are the Statues of Many of y^e Kings & Queens of England, very Curiously wrought in Stone & Marble in y^f Due Proportion - particularly - King Charles y^e Second - King William & Queen Mary - & Queen Ann - all wrought to y^e Life in fine white Alabaster - with y^f Royal Robes on - & Crowns - Separately locked up in large Cases - as also y^e Dutchesse of Richmond - General Monk in a large Case in due proportion - Here is also the Chair w^c in y^e Kings & Queens of England sitt when they are Crowned - the bottom of it being made of a Stone w^c they say is Jacobi Pillar - all that sit in this Chair pay Six Pence - w^c I did. Here are also Queen Catherines Bones, who they say had been buried 30 Years & then her Bones took up & put in a Box ab^t 300 Years. Here is King Henry y^e 7. Chapple w^c y^y call a Paradise - & indeed it is in Extream fine here are hanging up all y^e Arms & Banners of y^e Knights of y^e Bath - Finely Embroydered. In the Middle of this Chappel is a very Stately Tomb taile in with Brass - Extream fine & Costly - w^c is King Henry y^e 7.th - - - - Also a Very fine & Stately Monum^t Erect Hors^e of y^e late Duke of Buckingham with Inumerable other Rarities.

From this Place In y^e evening we went to see a Rope Dance & an Italian Comedy, w^c was very finely Acted by Mad^m Violante, in the Hay-Market - The Rope Dancing, was Reckoned to be the finest y^e ever was in England - It was after y^e following Man^r viz.



February 12 A.M.

There was a Large Rope w^t was fastened to the Stage About 10 foot high - & About 40 foot Long - In the first Place there was a little Girl about 5 Years Old very finely dress'd with a short Silk Embroidered Vest Coat - & fine Silk Stockings & breeches all in one - She Danced abt a Quarter of an hour to every ones admiration - & Cut Capers w^t came down - Then another a Year or 2 older went up & performed a Dance very finely - Then a d^d lastly Mad^d Violante an Italian Gentle Woman w^t was w^t Principal Actor in y^e Play - She Danced About 1 Quarter of an hour upon y^e Rope sometimes upon her Knees sometimes upon her Arms & sometimes on her feet. Then a Board about 10 foot long was laid upon y^e Rope - without being fastened - She Danced upon that a Considerable Time - & then gave a Spring About 6 foot from y^e Rope Board, kick'd it down, & danced on y^e Rope Again - Then they Chained her feet together She danced So a Considerable Time Close legged - Then they fastened 2 large naked Boards one to each foot, She Walked forwards & yⁿ backwards upon y^e Rope severall times - Set down on her breech got up again, without hurting her self in y^e least. - Then they fastened 2 Boats one to each foot. She walked, & Danced backwards & forwards with them hanging at her heels. Then they fastened 2 Men, She walked with them upon y^e Rope &c. Then She came down. Then they took down y^e stage - And noted an Italian Comedy Co. here were 4 or 500 Spectators - It Cost me 2 \$\$. - N. B. the Room is very large with galleries - Afterwards Mad^d Violante run down upon her breast from y^e Top of Galleries to the bottom of y^e Room, with 2 lighted Candles in her hand.



9. Die Jovis. Rott, Cloudy, Misty weather

10. Die Veteris. Walked in Comp^t with Son. Tho. Roby as far as St. James where I saw y^e following Paritice viz. The Parliament House - The House of Comons is a Stately fine Room like a Chappel with Galleries in it - Att y^e Upper End of it is Erected y^e Speakers Chair - w.^c is very Stately & fine. Covered all over with Green Velvet & Edged with Gold lace - before this Chair is a great Square Table with Seat. for y^e 2 Clerks - with y^e Trunks upon it - The Seats are Covered over with green Cloth for y^e Bubbers to sit on. Att y^e back Side of y^e Speakers Chair is a Door that leads into A ne Room where y^e Speaker is Robed & Unrob'd - And behind y^e House is a very fine pleasant Prospect of a Garden with Greens in it & y^e River of Thames.

From thence to y^e House of Lords - w.^c is a much lesser Room - with fine hangings of Tapestry - Att y^e Upper End is y^e Throne t^t was Erected for her late Majestey Queen Ann with a large Tent over it like a Bed - on y^e Right hand is a Chair for y^e Prince of Wales to y^e left for y^e Duke of York - On y^e Right again is a Bench for y^e 2 Arch bishope &c.

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Ent into Westminster Hall w.^c is very large - full of Shops on each Side - Here I saw my Lord Chancellour Mr. Peter King - sitting on the Bench in his Court - There were 4 - Courts sitting at y^e same Time, in this Hall & some 1000. of People walking back & forth without any Interruption to them - viz. - The Court of Chancery - that of y^e King Bench - of the Exchequer - & of Common Pleas, Here



the Judges sit in great State with y^e black Gowns & Bands on &c. - from here we walked to see y^e Prince of Wales Coronation & Coach horses w^e were very fine - I. H. Went to St. Paul's Church, took a walk upon y^e Top of it w^e Is exceeding high - & the Prospect wonderfull pleasant - from thence to the Monument at y^e foot of y^e Bridge went up to the Top of that w^e Is 300 feet -

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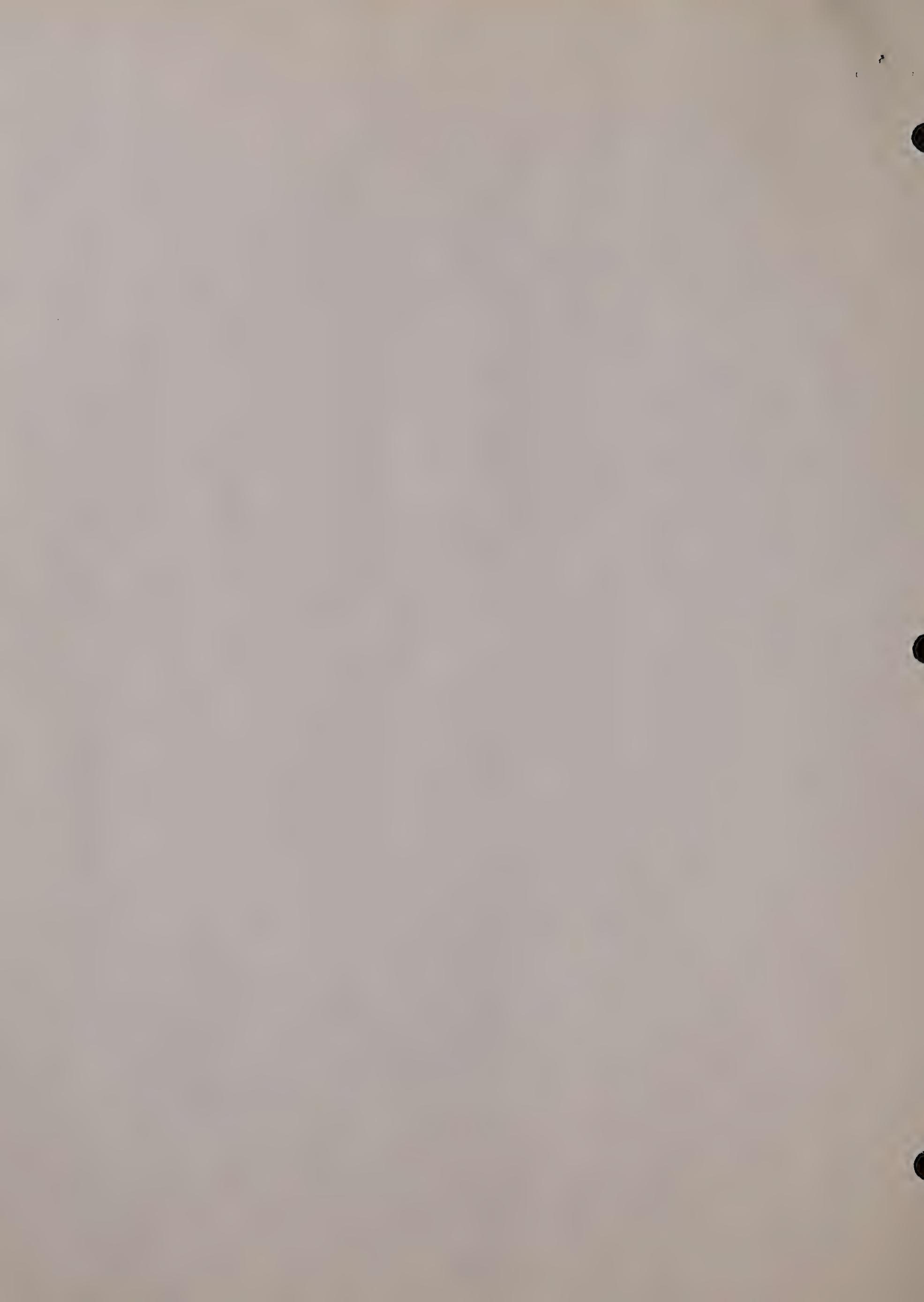
300 foot high - This affords such another prospect as St. Paul's, &c. - It is very credible Affirmed that a Horse was lost about 4 Years ago upon the Top of this Monument - It was Erected in Perpetual Remembrance of the great fire in London Anno 1666 - w^e stay'd at this place. This fire was begun & Carried on the Cursed Papists - same reason.

11. The Return. Fair Weather.

12. The Sabbath. Fair pleasant Weather. This Evening I went to see the Charity Children in Christe's Church Hospital w^e Is a very fine pleasant sight, there are to the Number of about 300 Boys & 100 Girls dressed in blue Coats with fine white Bands on - Extreme Clean & Neat - about 200 more that live in the Country - w^e are all maintained by the Hospital - There are a fine Fair of Organs belonging to y^e Hospital. w^e Some of the biggest Boys play on - when the rest sing. - This Hospital was founded by King Edward y^e Ninth. And y^e continue to y^e Day in the same Bathed he left 'em in.

13. The Lunes. A Rainy Morning. -

Sent this Evening in Comp^t with Capt T. Abby to see a Comedy acted in Lincolns Inn Fields - It was Entituled The Days of Porcupine.



here were several very remarkable things acted as the Halling a
large Egg abt 3 foot long w^t a Ben it, w^t run abt. Some Consider-
able Time in the Egg, then broke it, ran Away -

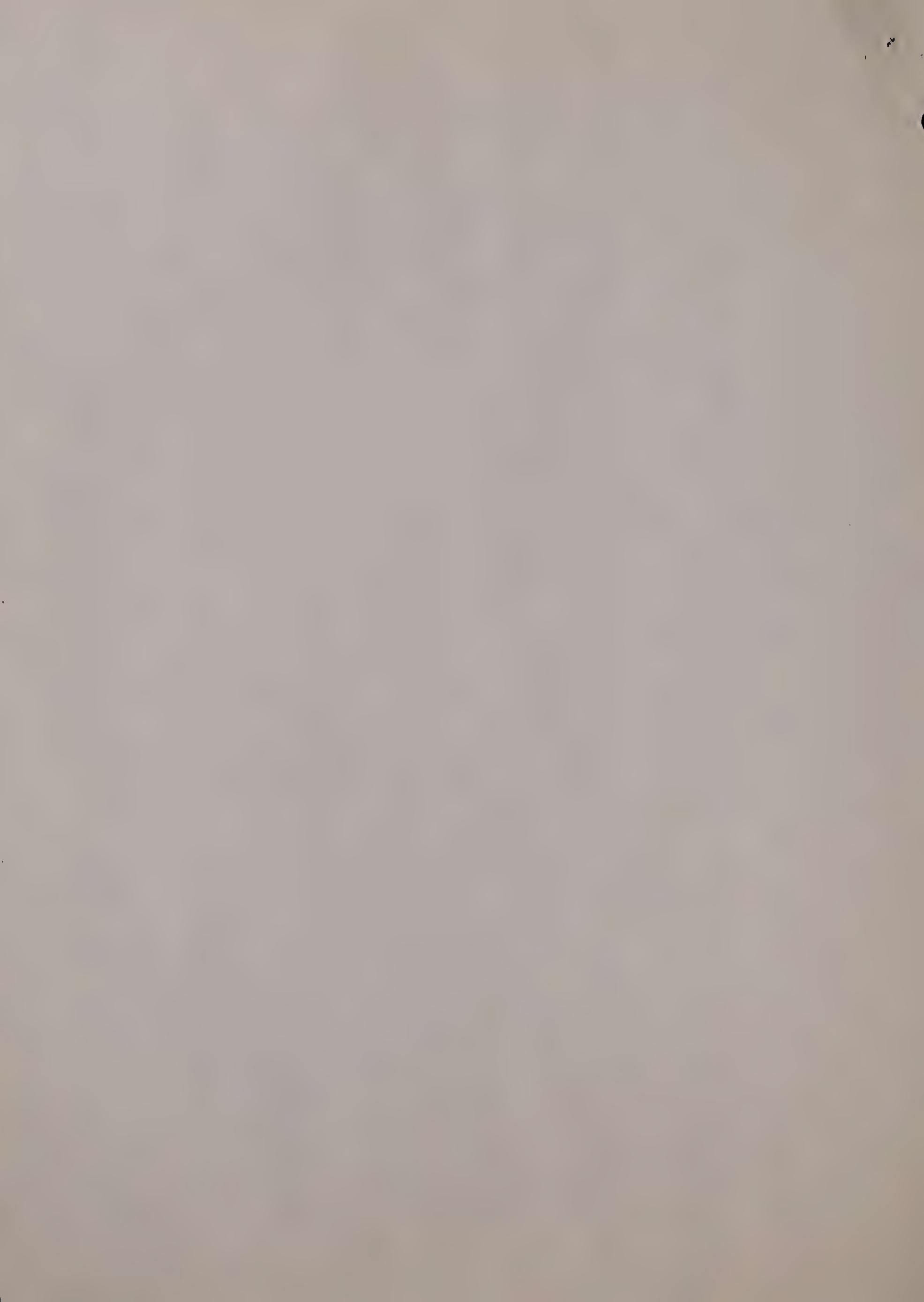
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There was Heaven & Hell, represented; with Gods & Goddesses be-
longing to them - Carried up into Heaven in Fiery flying Chariots -
a Down to Hell - which was a great Vault under y^e Moon - There was
y^e Sun rising very naturally indeed - by whose heat y^e fair being
it, was hatched - Also a representation of Monkeys & Baboons running
about y^e House, & Kintzen Chasing of them -

Thundering & Lightning, with Destruction of a House w^t was very
awful & surprising. The God's & Goddesses were dressed Extream
fine - & in a very Awfull & solemn Man^r Cost. 2/6. - There was also
a Ben in a very fine Handsome Chariot drawn thro the Room by 4 great
Black Dogs &c.

14. Die Martin. A Fair Morning, I set out for Oxford about 7 of
the Clock this morning with Cos. T. Raby who Accompanied me as far
as Uxbridge w^t is 10 Miles from London - dined at an ordinary spent
2/6 - a piece - parted w^t with him at Uxbridge. travelled as far as
West Wickham which is 20 Miles - Lodged at Wickham.
Set out

15. Die Mercurii. Set out Early this Morning - Passed thro Stock-
church, Tetloworth, Miant-ley Bridge - Arrived at the City of
Oxford about Noon w^t is 10 miles. further - In All 47. Miles -
from London. where I was very Joyfully & Lovingly Entertained by
Cos: T^r Raby w^t is y^e Dissenting Minister here. - Oxford is an



Extraordinary fine pleasant City. - I think it exceeds all y^e Places that I have ever yet seen. -

February, 1740/2.

J. & Cox: Abby & I took a walk thro the City to see the Colledge. w^e are prodigious large & fine - Built of fine free Stone with many fine pleasant Squares & walks in them - There is a very fine pleasant Garden belonging to New-Colledge with a stately high Hill in y^e middle of it, adorned with a Variety of Greens. w. affords an extraordinary pleasant Prospect - There is also a very large Horizontal sink in this Garden curiously made Greens - with all the figures - in stones with drapery box - w^e is much admired. - do -

16. The Jovis. Fairly weather -

Cox: Abby & I took a walk thro y^e several Colleges into one of y^e Chapels - also into the kitchen w^e is prodigious large - where there are 2 very large fire Places - They can keep 7 or 8 spits going at once - Those of y^e spits are 15 or 16 foot long - from these placed into y^e University Physick Garden w^e is large & fine - There are 2 large Statues just before y^e gate as You Enter in - About 16 foot high: Cut out very ingeniously in Yew - having 3 tarts in y^e hands w^e is very surprising at first Sight - As You walk along thro y^e broad ally, y^e are 2 of y^e Nicest Columns cut out of Yew - with flower Potta on 'em, of any in England - cum Multis Aliis qui nunc preferri bone longius vix.

17. The Tegorie - Went in Comp^a w^t Cox: Abby to see the University Library - w^e is reckoned y^e largest & best of any in Europe - Excepting y^e Vatican Library at Roma - This very large, in y^e form of a

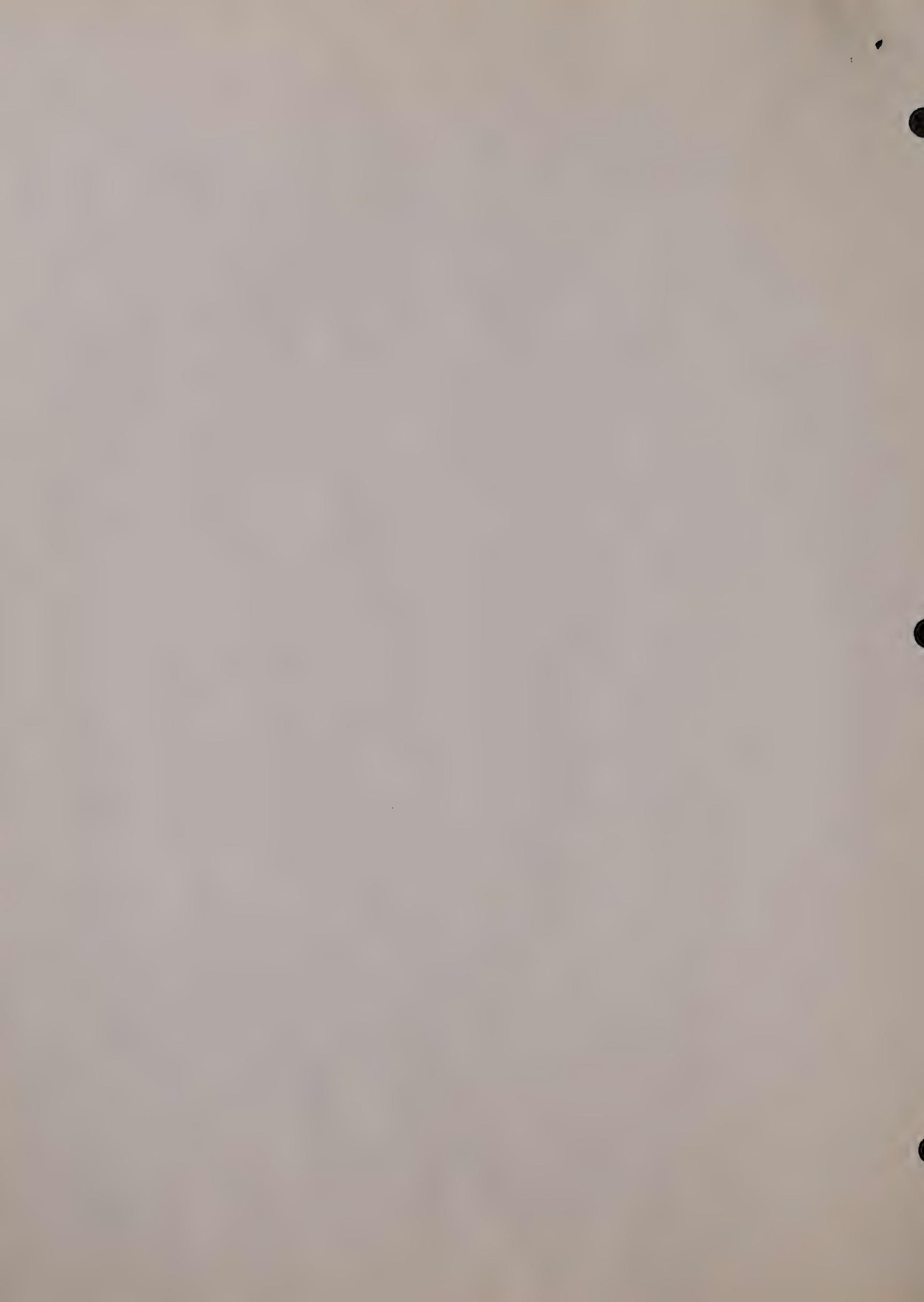


article I after this last! There is an Immenseable multitude of Books, which are all chained fast, so y^e not one can be taken out of y^e Library - There Places to lay the Books on, & Seats for every one to sit & Read as long as they Please. No Under Graduate has y^e liberty of y^e Library. - Every one that uses y^e Books takes an Oath that he will be Carefull & not Breaky them. - From the Library, we walked into a Large Gallery. Abt 4 or 300 ft. long where the Armigars of all y^e founders & Benefactors w^t y^e Coat of Arms are curiously drawn & hanging up - Also y^e are many very Ancient Monuments. - with Inscriptions in Greek or Latin in y^e windows &c. There are Galleries all round y^e Library to walk in to view y^e Uppermost Books. -

H. H. Every Student is obliged to wear y^e black gown & Cap & Mantel. - Some with Sleeves, others without according to y^e degree - One of y^e Gown Round, others 4 Square &c. H. H. The Number of the Students are 18. Students about 3000. There are several very fine Mansions belonging to Seven of y^e Colleges - house (Lille) one of 10 others 10 Pells. These Buildings are reckoned y^e largest, & best in Europe.

The Anti pestilential Preservative.

Take a Rue, Sage, Mint, Rosemary, Wormwood, & Lavender. Pack in Handfull, Infuse them together in a Gallon of the best White Wine, put y^e stalk into a Stone Pott closely covered, & pasted over y^e cover, set y^e Pott then Closed up, upon warm Ashes for 8 Days: After which draw off, or strain thro. fine flanel y^e liquid, & put it into a Bottle well Corked, & into every quart bottle put 3 oz of Camphire - with this Preparation wash y^e Mouth & Rub y^e Loins, & y^e Temples everyday: Snuff a little in y^e Nostrils when You go into y^e Air & carry about with You a bit of sponge dip'd in y^e same in order to



Well to upon all occasions, especially when you are near my place
or Person y^e is infected.

This was Used in France in y^e Time of y^e last Plague.
Memorandum of w^t Cloaths & h^t with No &c viz.
2 Shirts & 2 wigs - 4 pair of Horned Stockins -
2 Lambs - Books n^or Colbatch's of y^e Rev^d Mr. Walton
3 Neckes. Dr. Rydenham of Cost T. Roby. -

Memorandumnd to Bristol. viz. 2 fine Holland Shirts
2 Neckes & 1 white handkerchief. 2 pair of Stockings.
a great Blue Coat Spurrs &c.

For an Intermittent Fever.

R⁷. July: Rad: Ipecacuan: Zes for a Vomit.

R⁷ Cort. Peru. pulv. Zij July. Rad. Virginian:

Zj. Syr. Cariophill. & S. M. T. Elect.

Zj. Cap: Quanti: nucie Nos. tortia guage.

hore Superbibendo hauctus Decocionis

Sept: - Rj. Suntat Centaur m. f.

flor. Chamozel p. /, Rad. Gentian. Indis.

Zij. Ann: Card. Benedict. Zj Coq. In Aq:

foutan: thijad thles. Add. Vin. Monta.

toys.

For a Consumptive Cough.

Rj. Sals. Sulph: Ants at $\frac{3}{4}$ s. Cap. Out.

aids in die in Sacch: Superbibendo

Zj decoct. Requent.

Rj. Nera. perlat. massul. Sal. \tilde{a} Zj. Fic:



Dactyl: Anis N° viij, Glycōr $\frac{3}{2}$ Coq: in
Aq: fouteau $\frac{1}{2}$ ad thij. Sub fine Adden
to Sem: Anis $\frac{3}{2}$. Coletur.

For a Sinew Grow, or a Contraction of y^e Si ^{new}:
 \wedge

R₇ Ung: Dealthea - ol Lumbricon, \approx $\frac{3}{2}$.
Dissolv^r & Calidē foment^r.

To Make a Stiptick Water for y^e
to Cure y^e runing of Horses heels -

R₇. Vitrol. Rom. $\frac{3}{2}$.

Roch. Alum - $\frac{3}{2}$.

Bal. Armon. - Pulverizantur.

Virjure - or Good Vinegar - thij.

Boil 'em in it -



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